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AND

BUDGET

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1883

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MUNICIPAL REPORT.

THE Council for 1882 have now to submit to the Ratepayers the usual statement of accounts, and report of their proceedings during their year of office.

The management of the affairs of the Municipality was handed over to them on the 28th February when accompanied by the members of the outgoing Council they proceeded to the yard of the Central Station, where the Police force was paraded for their inspection.

Mr. HEARN, the Chairman of the outgoing Council, informed the Superintendent that the Council for 1881 had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct of the Police during their term of office, as there had been comparatively little crime in the Settlement, and good order had always been well maintained. There were still, however, a good many complaints about dirty jinrikshas, the overcrowding of carriages, and the condition of ponies plying for hire, and he had no doubt the New Watch Committee would expect that the rules now in force for the regulation of traffic in the streets should be more stringently carried out. The force was then dismissed, and the Police Cells and Constables' Quarters were inspected and found clean and comfortable. The Armoury and Magazine were next visited, and the arms and stores for the use of the Volunteer Corps found in good order.

On returning to the Board room Mr. HEARN directed the attention of the New Council to the business left outstanding, the principal thing being the building of an additional Police Station to meet the requirements of the settlement.

The Council for 1881 were originally of opinion that the New Station should be constructed on the vacant piece of ground belonging to the Municipality, adjoining the Lock Hospital, but latterly they were inclined to think that it was more required in Hongkew in the Broadway

somewhere near the Hongkew Wharf, they had therefore merely provided in the Budget for the cost of the building, and left the New Council to decide where it should be constructed.

The only other matter was the widening of the Bubbling Well Road near the Skew Bridge and arrangements were nearly completed with Mr. WHEELOCK for a strip of his land in the neighborhood for this purpose.

The Members of the Old Council then withdrew, and the New Council proceeded to elect as—

Chairman.—Mr. W. C. WARD.

Vice-Chairman.—Mr. C. J. HOLLIDAY.

Defence and Watch Committee.—Messrs. D. BRAND, C. J. HOLLIDAY, and R. MACKENZIE.

Finance Committee.—Messrs. W. H. DALGLIESH, R. A. GUBBAY, and J. ROUSTAN.

Works Committee.—Messrs. A. J. LITTLE, G. J. MORRISON, and W. C. WARD.

Mr. A. J. LITTLE having resigned his seat at the Council board in July last, Mr. A. MYBURGH was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy caused by his resignation;

Mr. R. A. GUBBAY then joined the Works Committee taking the place of Mr. LITTLE, and Mr. MYBURGH became a member of the Finance Committee.

DEFENCE MATTERS.

A good many changes have been made in the Volunteer Corps during the past year, with the view of adding to its efficiency, amongst which the most important are, the formation of two additional companies of infantry, the disbandment of the Light Horse Artillery and the appointment of Medical Officers to be attached to the different branches of the service.

In March last the Council at the suggestion of the officers sanctioned the appointment of an Adjutant to assist the Commanding Officer in the general administration of the Corps, and on their recommendation Lieutenant MORRISION received the appointment.

Mr. MORRISON resigned the post of Adjutant in September, and the vacancy caused by his resignation has not yet been filled up.

MAJOR HOLLIDAY resigned his appointment as Commanding Officer of the Corps about the same time, and since then the Volunteers have been under the command of Captain DALLAS S. V. A.

During the summer months there were the usual Moonlight parades when the force marched out of the settlement and went through their evolutions in Country.

As Tuesday the 4th April happened to be mail day Wednesday the 5th was appointed as the twenty eighth anniversary of the battle of Muddy Flat, and was selected as a peculiarly appropriate day for the first official annual inspection of the Corps, by the Chairman, and members of the Municipal Council.

The Volunteers to the number of about 160 assembled at 2 p.m. in the yard of the Central Station, whence they marched out to the race course where they were put through a variety of battalion movements by the MAJOR Commanding, and finally they were formed up in front of the grand stand, and addressed by the Chairman Mr. WARD, who on behalf of himself and the Council expressed great satisfaction at the manner in which everything had gone off.

The following resignations have been accepted, and appointments made during the year.

RESIGNATIONS.

No. 1 Company,—2nd Lieutenant MORRISON,
„ 2 „ Lieutenant J. J. TUCKER,
Volunteer Artillery.—Lieutenants J. BOYD and G. TEMPLER TICKELL,
Light Horse.—Lieutenant WHITTY.

APPOINTMENTS.

No. 1 Company,—Serjeant Buchanan to be 2nd Lieutenant vice Morrison.

„ 2 „ Sub-Lieutenant Lanning to be Lieutenant vice Tucker.

Serjeant W. H. Anderson to be Sub-Lieutenant vice Lanning.

„ 3 „ A. Sim to be Captain and W. H. Burgoyne to be Lieutenant.

„ 4 „ F. N. P. de Campos to be 1st Lieutenant C. M. de Senna to be 2nd Lieutenant.

Artillery Serjeant Rex to be Lieutenant vice J. Boyd.

And the following Medical Officers:—

Dr. E. Henderson to be Surgeon Major to the force.

Dr. N. McLeod Surgeon attached to the Light Horse.

Dr. Sloan Surgeon attached to the Artillery.

The Volunteer Corps now consists of:—

No. 1 *Company Mih-Ho-Loong Rifles* — With 55 Rank and file and the following officers:—

Mr. R. Mackenzie.....Captain.
„ Duncan Glass.....Lieutenant.
„ J. Buchanan.....2nd Lieutenant.

No. 2 *Company*—With 65 Members and the following officers:—

Mr. J. A. Harvie.....Captain.
„ G. Lanning.....Lieutenant.
„ W. H. Anderson.....Sub-Lieutenant.

No. 3 *Company*—With 35 Members and the following officers:—

Mr. A. Sim.....Captain.
„ J. W. H. Burgoyne.....2nd Lieutenant.

No. 4 *Company*—With 50 Members and the following officers:—

———.....Captain.
Mr. F. N. P. de Campos.....1st Lieutenant.
„ C. M. de Senna.....2nd „

Volunteer Artillery—With 38 Members and the following officers:—

Mr. Barnes Dallas.....Captain.
„ G. W. Noel.....Senior Lieutenant.
„ A. B. Rex.....Junior do.

Shanghai Light Horse—With 28 troopers:—

———.....Captain.
Mr. B. A. Clarke.....Lieutenant.
„ R. de Malherbe.....Sub-Lieutenant.

Serjeant Hough has been appointed Drill instructor to the Company.

Uniforms.—New Uniforms have been supplied to 83 Members of the Corps making 408 in all since the commencement of present system. The Members of the Infantry companies have also been furnished with Glengarry Caps and Gaiters.

Arms Accoutrements &c., Annexed is the usual quarterly report upon the Arms and accoutrements belonging to the corps. In compliance with a recommendation from the Chairman of the Defence Committee, the Council purchased on April last from Mr. C. O. LIDDELL for the sum of Tls. 250 the Blakely Gun formerly lent by him to the Light Horse Artillery.

Ammunition. 55,200 rounds of ball cartridge have been purchased during the year, and 43,000 expended, leaving 21,000 rounds in stock on 31st December exclusive of 15,460 rounds ex Stadt Amsterdam.

Rifle Range. The new Targets ordered from England arrived early in the year and have been placed in position and small moveable targets have also been constructed, and put up at the range.

INSPECTION OF ARMS, ACCOUTREMENTS, AND AMMUNITION.

Arms and Accoutrements.

GUNS AND GUN CARRIAGES.	2 12-Pounder Brass Howitzers with Carriages, complete. 1 Gattling Gun. 1 Blakely Gun. 3 Ship Guns.
GUN WAGGONS.	2 Waggons for Howitzers with one spare wheel each.
AMMUNITION WAGGONS.	1 Portable Magazine with Shafts, &c., complete.
HARNESS.	6 Sets in fair working order. 12 Sets more or less imperfect and out of condition.
STUD.	6 Ponies in good condition.

	Stock at last Inspection.	Since received.	Total.	Sold or otherwise disposed of.	Stock at date.	In Armoury.	In Possession.	Remarks.
H. M. Rifles, (old pattern)	283	...	283	...	283	215	68	
Sword Bayonets,	269	...	269	...	269	168	101	
Scabbards for Same,	269	...	269	...	269	168	101	
H. M. Rifles, (new pattern)	199	...	199	...	199	14	185	
Triangular Bayonets	189	...	189	...	189	43	146	
Scabbards for Same,	188	...	188	...	188	42	146	
Cavalry Carbines,	28	...	28	...	28	10	18	
Holsters for same,	28	...	28	...	28	11	17	
Cavalry Sabres,	40	...	40	...	40	6	34	
Buff Leather, Waist Belts,	36	...	36	...	36	...	36	
do. Frogs,	36	...	36	...	36	...	36	

	Stock at last Inspection.	Since received.	Total.	Sold or otherwise disposed of.	Stock at date.	In Armoury.	In Possession.	REMARKS.
White Enamelled Waist Belts,	207	...	207	...	207	32	175	
do. Frogs,	207	...	207	...	207	32	175	
do. Slings,	205	...	205	...	205	61	144	
Black Pouches,	224	...	224	...	224	44	180	
Brown Leather Waist Belts,	275	...	275	...	275	218	57	
do. Frogs,	162	...	162	...	162	105	57	
do. Shoulder Belts and Pouches,	160	...	160	...	160	160	...	
Brown (and black) Slings	143	...	143	...	143	84	59	
Cavalry Sword Belts	53	...	53	...	53	26	27	
do. Shoulder Belts and Pouches,	38	...	38	...	38	9	29	
Artillery Officers' Sword Belts,	3	...	3	...	3	...	3	
do. do. Shoulder Belts & Pouches,	3	...	3	...	3	...	3	
do. Sergeants' Sword Belts,	3	...	3	...	3	...	3	
do. do. Shoulder Belts & Pouches	3	...	3	...	3	...	3	
do. Privates' do. do.	44	...	44	...	44	...	44	
Infantry Officers' and Sergeants' Sword Belts	12	...	12	...	12	1	11	
Infantry Officers' and Sergeants' Sashes	8	10	18	...	18	1	17	
Sword Knots, Officers,	10	...	10	...	10	...	10	
do. Swivels	12	...	12	...	12	...	12	
Sight Protectors,	300	...	300	...	300	175	125	
Cleaning Jags,	340	...	340	...	340	170	170	
Muzzle Stoppers,	275	...	275	...	275	207	68	
Spare Cleaning Rods,	16	...	16	1*	15	15	...	* Accidentally broken at Rifle Range.
Knee Caps,	65	...	65	...	65	41	24	

AMMUNITION.

	Stock at last Inspection.	Since received.	Total.	Expended on Service.	Issued free.	Sold.	Total expended.	Stock at date.	Present Stock Stored.		Remarks.
									Pootung.	Ma'zine.	
12 Pr. Howitzer Shell C,	168	...	168	...	...	...	...	168	...	168	
do. do. S,	79	...	79	...	...	...	...	79	...	79	Filled.
	246	...	246	...	...	...	...	246	...	246	Empty.
do. Case Shot,	237	...	237	...	...	...	...	237	...	237	
Bursting Charges C,	35	...	35	...	...	...	...	35	...	35	
do. S,	84	...	84	...	...	...	...	84	...	84	
Cartridges for 12 Pr. Howitzers,	961	...	961	...	30	...	30	931	...	931	
Blakely Shell Empty	148	...	148	...	...	...	...	148	...	148	
Percussion Caps Empty,	152	...	152	...	...	...	...	152	...	...	In clothing store.
Fuses C,	30	*100	130	...	...	...	...	130	...	...	do.
do. S,	269	...	269	...	...	...	...	269	...	...	do.
Friction Tubes,	1100	...	1100	*100	50	...	150	950	...	...	do.
Gatling Cartridges (Ball)	9180	...	9180	...	...	...	...	9180	...	9180	
H. M. Ball Cartridges,	33480	...	33480	...	7067	5393	12460	21020	...	21020	
"Stadt Amsterdam,"	15460	...	15460	...	...	...	...	15460	...	15460	
H. M. Blank Ammunition,	7416	...	7416	...	2141	...	2141	5275	...	5275	
Signal Rockets,	8	...	8	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	In clothing store.
do. Blue Lights,	29	...	29	...	...	...	...	29	...	...	do.
Remington Cartridges,	18	...	18	...	...	...	...	18	...	18	Tins.
Skin Revolver Cartridges,	10	...	10	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	do.
Caps for Revolver	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	3 Tins.	...	...	In orderly room.

* Hitherto shown as Friction Tubes, owing to the Box being labeled incorrect.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The whole of the above was duly examined by the Officers S. V. Corps, and found in a satisfactory state.

J. ALEX. HARVIE,

Shanghai, 11th January, 1883. *Captain No. 2, Coy., Commanding, S.V.C.*

FINANCE MATTERS.

The Budget for 1882 prepared by the outgoing Council of 1881 showed an estimated excess of expenditure over income of Tls. 28,625,13 in which however was included the sum of Tls. 11,555.13 being the debit balance left on 31st December 1881.

This amount they proposed should be raised by the issue of debentures to the extent of Tls. 30,000 bearing interest at not more then 7 per cent and a resolution to this effect was proposed and carried at the Annual Meeting of ratepayers on 24th February.

At this meeting the Council were also authorized to raise a further sum of Tls. 50,000 by the issue of debentures, for the purchase of a site, and the construction of a Public market for the Municipality, but after fully considering the subject they decided only to raise Tls. 30,000 this year, for the purchase of a site, and to leave the construction of the market to their successors.

The total amount to be raised by Debentures under resolutions 5 and 7 passed by the Ratepayers at the Annual Meeting was thus reduced to Tls. 60,000, tenders for which were invited, and the following allotments made, being at the average rate of $4\frac{1}{3}$ per cent premium.

Tls.	200	@ 7	per cent =	Tls.	214.00
„	500	@ 6	„ =	„	530.00
„	10,000	@ $5\frac{1}{2}$	„ =	„	10,550.00
„	1,000	@ $5\frac{1}{3}$	„ =	„	1,052.00
„	10,000	@ 5	„ =	„	10,500.00
„	5,000	@ $4\frac{1}{2}$	„ =	„	5,225.00
„	8,200	@ 4	„ =	„	8,528.00
„	25,100	@ $3\frac{5}{8}$	„ =	„	26,009.87
	60,000				62,608.87

Accounts.

The Financial Statement appended shows a surplus for the year of ....Tls. 11,320.62

The Receipts being .....Tls. 320,115.74
while the Disbursements come to .... „ 308,795.12

The Budget submitted at the annual meeting of the Ratepayers estimated the Revenue at.....Tls. 268,390.00
To this must be added 300 Debentures issued for purchase of a market site..... „ 30.000.00

Tls. 298,390.00

The Receipts aggregate (including an unappropriated balance of Tls. 1,374.87.) ..... „ 321,490.61

Showing an increase over the estimate of .....Tls. 23,100.61

The Expenditure recommended was .....Tls. 267,015.13
Add cost of market site Tls. 25,000, and amount placed on Deposit on account "Market Building Tls. 5,000 ..... „ 30,000.00

Tls. 297,015.13

The actual Expenditure has been ..... „ 308,795.12

Or an excess of ..... „ 11,779.99

Accounting for the surplus of .....Tls. 11,320.62

The large excess in receipts over the estimated Income for the year is in a great measure due to exceptional causes, amongst the most important of which are the withdrawal in June last of the restriction as to the number of licensed Jinrikshas, the premium paid on the Tls. 60,000 Debentures issued in October and the unusually large quantity of Drain pipes sold to private individuals. From these three sources the excess amounts to Tls. 11,000, and the balance is as usual due to the increased receipts from the Native House tax and License fees.

The excess in the Expenditure over the estimates is principally in the Works Department, and is due to the great extension of buildings which has taken place in the settlement during the year, necessitating the making up, metalling, and draining of new roads, and a proportionately large expenditure on road material, stock and stores, &c.; in addition to which there are the expenses connected with the survey of Hongkew, for which no provision was made in the Budget.

The Expenditure in Drain pipes has been unusually large but as there is still a considerable quantity in store, not many will require to be imported next year.

The expenses connected with the Maintenance of the Volunteers, Town Band, and Fire Department have been greater than was anticipated but on the other hand the full amounts provided for Seward Road extension, Bundings, Drainage, and the Police have not been expended, so that the total excess is under Tls. 12,000.

The Expenditure in excess of the appropriations in the Budget includes :—

Stock and stores, Drain pipes and Volunteer stores	Tls.	9,900.00
Road Material, Curbs, &c.....	„	6,300.00
Hongkew Survey Expenses	„	1,800.00
Volunteers Maintenance.....	„	2,300.00
Town Band	„	1,000.00
Fire Department	„	900.00
	Tls.	22,200.00
From which deduct unexpended on Roads, Bunding and Drainage, &c.	Tls. 7,800	
Police	„ 2,600	10,400.00
	Tls.	11,800.00

SUMMARY OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—FOREIGN.
December Quarter, 1881.

	No. of Houses 1880.	Rental Assessment 1880.	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	Increase.	Increase.
		Tls.		Tls.		Tls.
Foreign Settlement	412	409,447	419	411,135	7	1,688
Hongkew Settlement	242	90,822	294	95,860	52	5,038
Total...	654	500,269	713	506,995	59	6,726
Occupied by Foreigners	565	...	621	...	56	...
Occupied by Natives	36	...	52	...	16	...
Empty.....	53	...	40	...	*13	...
Total Assessments.	...	500,269	...	506,995	...	...
Tax Collected..	@ 8°/₀	8,742	...	9,052	...	310

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—NATIVE.
December Quarter, 1881.

	No. of Houses 1880.	Rental Assessment 1880.	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	Increase.	Increase.
		$		$		$
Foreign Settlement	11,364	867,019	11,876	930,835	512	63,816
Hongkew Settlement	6,077	242,646	6,529	258,692	452	16,046
Total...	17,441	1,109,665	18,405	1,189,527	964	79,862
Occupied by Foreigners	352	...	381	...	29	...
Occupied by Natives	15,931	...	17,001	...	1070	...
Empty.....	1,158	...	1,023	...	*135	...
Total Assessments.	...	1,109,665	...	1,189,527	...	...
Tax Collected..	@ 10°/₀	25,854	...	28,112	...	2,258

* Decrease.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—FOREIGN.
March Quarter, 1882.

	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	No. of Houses 1882.	Rental Assessment 1882.	Increase.	Increase.
		Tls.		Tls.		Tls.
Foreign Settlement	425	400,928	419	408 529	*6	7,601
Hongkew Settlement	265	94,302	315	98,718	50	4,416
Total...	690	495.230	734	507,247	44	12,017
Occupied by Foreigners	571	...	626	...	...	
Occupied by Natives	44	...	52	...	...	
Un occupied...	75	...	56	...	...	
Total Assessments.	...	495,230	...	507,247	...	
Tax Collected..	at 8°/₀	8,772	...	9,117	...	345

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—NATIVE.
March Quarter, 1882.

	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881,	No. of Houses 1882.	Rental Assessment 1882.	Increase.	Increase.
		$		$		Tls.
Foreign Settlement	11,383	874,856	12,177	969,287	794	94,431
Hongkew Settlement	6,114	244,020	6,694	267,576	580	23,556
Total...	17,497	1,118,876	18,871	1236863	1374	117987
Occupied by Foreigners	373	...	385	...	...	...
Occupied by Natives	15,855	...	17,157	...	...	...
Unoccupied....	1,269	...	1,329	...	...	...
Total Assessments.	...	1,118,876	...	1236863	...	117987
Tax Collected..	...	25,922	...	28,443	...	2,521

* Decrease.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—FOREIGN.
June Quarter, 1882.

	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	No. of Houses 1882.	Rental Assessment 1882.	Increase.	Increase.
		Tls.		Tls.		Tls.
Foreign Settlement	417	400,928	417	408,369	Nil.	7,441
Hongkew Settlement	270	93,257	314	101,327	44	8,070
Total...	687	494,185	731	509,696	44	15,511
Occupied by Foreigners	574	...	645	...	...	
Occupied by Natives	51	...	45	...	...	
Unoccupied....	62	...	41	...	...	
Total Assessments.	...	494,185	...	509,696	...	
Tax Collected..	@ 8°/₀	8,879	...	9,279	...	400

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—NATIVE.
June Quarter, 1882.

	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	No. of Houses 1882.	Rental Assessment 1882.	Increase.	Increase.
		$		$		$
Foreign Settlement	11,472	889,606	11,674	960,806	202	71,200
Hongkew Settlement	6,323	251,250	6,699	271,146	376	19,896
Total...	17,795	1,140,856	18,373	1,231,952	578	91,096
Occupied by Foreigners	358	...	400	...	...	...
Occupied by Natives	16,256	...	17,088	...	...	...
Unoccupied ...	1,181	...	885	...	...	...
Total Assessments.	...	1,140,856	...	1,231,952	...	91,096
Tax Collected..	@ 10°/₀	26,517	...	29,050	...	2,533

SUMMARY OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—RATE.
September Quarter, 1882.

	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	No. of Houses 1882.	Rental Assessment 1882.	Increase.	Increase.
		Tls.		Tls.		Tls.
Foreign Settlement	417	400,823	415	410,349	*2	9,526
Hongkew Settlement	289	92,212	317	107,377	28	15,165
Total ...	706	493,035	732	517,726	26	24,691
Occupied by Foreigners	587	...	643	...	...	
Occupied by Natives	55	...	50	...	...	
Unoccupied ...	64	...	39	...	...	
Total Assessments.	...	493,035	...	517,726	...	
Tax Collected..	@ 8°/₀	8,968	...	9,470	...	502

GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.—NATIVE.
September Quarter, 1882.

	No. of Houses 1881.	Rental Assessment 1881.	No. of Houses 1882.	Rental Assessment 1882.	Increase.	Increase.
		$		$		
Foreign Settlement	11,841	913,176	12,322	1,049,262	481	136086
Hongkew Settlement	6,467	256,079	6,835	277,488	368	21,409
Total...	18,308	1,169,155	19,157	1,326,750	849	157495
Occupied by Foreigners	364	...	407	...	43	...
Occupied by Natives.	16,870	...	17,783	...	913	...
Empty	1,074	...	967	...	*107	...
Total Assessments.	...	1,169,255	...	1,326,750	...	157495
Tax Collected..	...	27,446	...	30,381	...	2,935

* Decrease.

LAND ASSESSMENT.

At the Special Meeting of Ratepayers held on 20th April the following resolution was proposed by Mr. WARD, seconded by Mr. MORRISON and carried unanimously.

That a Re-assessment of all land and houses within the boundaries of the Foreign Settlements of Shanghai North of the Yang-king-pang being now desirable, the Council be directed to have an assessment made by a Committee consisting of not less than Five Ratepayers qualified to vote at public meetings of ratepayers, such assessment to come into force on the 1st January, 1883.

That in making such assessment, land forming public roads shall not be included.

That the said Committee be empowered to employ professional assistance in making their assessment, and the Municipal Council be authorised to apply, out of the Municipal funds, a sum not exceeding Tls. 1,000 for such professional assistance.

That on completion of the entire Assessment, notice be given to each Landrenter, or to his or her Agent in Shanghai, of the value placed on the property of such Landrenter, and at the same time, complete schedules of the assessments be deposited for public inspection at the offices of the Municipal Council.

That thirty days notice be allowed from the delivery of such notice for any Landrenter, or his or her Agent, to appeal against such assessment.

That all appeals against the aforesaid assessment be heard by the Committee serving on the Council for the time being, and known as the Finance, Rate, and Appeal Committee, whose decision shall be final.

That in case a Landrenter, or his or her Agent, shall not appeal within the aforesaid period of thirty days, such assessment shall thereupon become binding for all purposes of taxation.

Messrs. W. H. ANDERSON, C. M. DYCE, R. FRANCIS, R. A. GUBBAY, and A. MYBURGH having expressed their willingness to serve were in June last selected to make the assessment, and the Council have to thank them for the time and attention they have devoted to the carrying out of this important work.

The new assessment was completed in November and from the subjoined figures it will be seen that the value of land in the settlements has advanced fully 70 per cent since 1880.

	1882.	1880.	Increase 1883.
English Settlement ...Tls.	10,340,650	6,118,265	4,222,385
Hongkew ..... „	3,550,660	1,945,325	1,605,335
Tls.	13,891,310	8,063,590	5,827,720

New Houses Asssesed during the year 1882.

Names of Road.	Names of Occupant.	Assessed.	Remarks.
		Tls.	
11 Foochow	W. H. Doyle.....	420	
13 to 15 „	.....	480	Each.
12 Albany	Mrs. Bernard	420	
19/20 Kiukiang...	Carlowitz & Co.	2,600	
34A Nanking.....	.....	600	
34B 34C „	.....	540	Each.
17A Soochow.....	Ice Company	600	
42 North „	Bono Sako.....	780	
18A Whangpoo...	M. B. M. S. S. Coy. ...	840	Godown.
30A Broadway	Shanghai, Hongkew and Jardines Associated Wharves.	720	„
30B „		720	„
30C „		720	„
11 Seward	E. B. Gutterres.....	360	
13 „	F. N. P. de Campos...	360	
9 Woosung	Anglo Chinese High School	600	
11 „	E. Shepherd	300	
12 „	Rev. C. H. Judd	300	
13 „	T. J. Ballard.....	300	
14 „	Mrs. Hanish	300	
15/22 „	.....	300	Each.
1/13 Nanzing ...	.....	125	„
14 „ ...	E. Delestre.....	240	
23 „ ...	H. Van Corbach	160	
24 „ ...	R. McCaslin	160	
25 „ ...	Miss Howard.....	160	
26 „ ...	J. Brunn.....	160	
27 „ ...	J. P. da Silva	300	
11 Boone	Mrs. Laisun	360	
5 Chaoufoong...	Geo. Mobsby.....	300	
6 „ ...	Robt. Law.....	300	

Houses upon which Assessments have been reduced during the year 1882, *under Resolution passed at Ratepayers' Meeting, 6th March,* 1877.

Names of Road.	Names of Occupant.	Assessment.	Reduced to	Remarks.
14 Szechuen	Blain & Co.	1,800	1,500	
48 Kiangse	Miss Beber	700	660	
3 Sunkiang	M. D. Mex.....	800	700	
13 Hankow	The Deanery.....	900	600	
15 „	N. C. Herald.....	1,500	1,200	
15/16 Soochow ...	A. Steinmetz.....	240	180	
19 North „ ...	J. C. H. Iburg	300	270	
22 Broadway.....	C. Smidt	500	360	
64 „	W. H. Doyle	420	394	
5 Chapoo	F. H. Rozario	144	125	
6 „	J. Wright	72	64	
7 „	W. Jewett	72	64	
8/10 Minghong ...	.....	72	54	Each.
18/22 Nanzing ...	.....	60	54	„

Houses upon which Assessments have been increased during the year 1882, under Resolution passed at Ratepayers' Meeting, 6th March, 1877.

Names of road.	Names of Occupant.	Assessment.	Increased to	Remarks.
25 Yangtsze	Mackintosh, Dudgeon & Co.	300	500	
8 Yuen-Ming-yuen	H. Serruys.....	500	600	
9 „	G. J. Morrison	500	540	
15 Szechuen	Ilbert & Co.....	500	600	
23 „	M. Slevogt.....	1,000	1,080	
	S. J. Solomon			
24 „ ...	„	300	360	
26 „ ...	A. H. Maertens.....	330	360	
27 „ ...	R. S. Kelly.....	330	360	
28 „ ...	W. W. Clifford	330	360	
30 „ ...	T. Place	330	360	
31 „ ...	G. R. Wingrove	330	360	
35 „ ...	A. Steinmetz.....	360	420	
36 „ ...	T. J. Waters	360	420	
6 Kiangse	Schonhard & Co.	700	1,000	
11 „	Dr. Zedelins	750	840	
12/17 „	Various	420	480	Each.
22 „	C. Smidt	400	450	
38 „	Elliot & Co.	360	420	
39 „	T. Weeks & Co.....	360	420	
41 „	„	360	420	
42 „	Rev. J. W. Lambuth .	600	960	
45 „	H. A. Sidford	500	600	
47 „	Dr. Sloan	360	480	
1 Honan	A. Broom	240	300	
6 Shantung	E. Major	300	400	
6 Canton	P. Maclean & Co.....	2,400	2,600	
	Drysdale Ringer & Co.			
5 Siking	T. Marshall	240	300	
7 „	J. Hirsbrunner	420	540	
5 Foochow ...	Geo. Lewis.....	1,000	1,200	
	Lewis & Hopkins			
20A Foochow ...	Sewjee & Symons	900	1,200	
21 „ ...	Myburgh & Dowdall...	600	720	
36 „ ...	Hopkee Chunderlin ...	300	420	
2 to 6 Albany ...	Various	120	144	Each.
8 „ ...	Mme. Dufeau	240	300	
5 Hankow	U. Pila & Co.	630	800	
14 „	Major Bro.....	900	1,000	
3 Kiukiang	C. Cromie	1,000	1,200	
4 „	Stewart & Osborne ...	1,200	2,100	
21 „	Harris Goodwin & Co.	700	900	
28 Nanking	Wemmohs & Co.	720	900	
29 „	S. Voelkel	540	900	
2 Ningpo	E. Abraham & Co.....	360	540	
3 „	Carlowitz & Co.	400	540	
4 „	Powell & Sanderson...	300	360	
5 „	„	360	420	
6 „	T. Weeks & Co.....	360	420	
5 Peking	Oliver & Co.	600	1,000	
12 „	W. Harris & Co.	550	720	

INCREASED ASSESSMENTS.—*Continued.*

Names of Road.	Names of Occupant.	Assessment.	Increased to	Remarks.
3 Soochow	Miss Edgerton	300	360	
4 „	Miss Warren.....	300	360	
8 „	M. Wolff	420	480	
10 „	J. Mackay.....	420	480	
11 „	E. G. Hillier.....	420	480	
13 „	H. M. Bevis	420	480	
6 Yangtsze	Primrose & Co.....	500	600	
17 North Soochow	Miss Clark.....	240	300	
18 „	R. W. Mustard.....	240	300	
10 Whangpo.....	C. Schmidt	310	360	
28 „	Jardine Matheson & Co.	4,000	5,440	
16 Broadway...	Shanghai, Hongkew and Jardine's Associated Wharves	6,000	7,000	
19 & 21 „ ...		12,300	19,120	
31 to 35 „	.....	240	300	Each.
37 Broadway.....	D. Glass.....	270	300	
59 „	Capt. J. B. Boswell ...	360	420	
60 „	Thos. Weir	420	540	
61 „	C. P. M. Donaldson...	420	540	
62 „	Capt. Wallace	420	540	
4 Minghong.....	Dr. H. W. Boone	360	400	

LOTS OF LAND ASSESSED DURING THE YEAR 1882.

No. of Lot.	No. of Title Deed.	Area.	Registered Owner.	Where Registered.	Boundaries.	Assessment per Mow.
1361	1354	4 0 0 0	F. A. Groom ...	British	N Cem's Land ..... S Shah's Land ..... E Half a Creek and Zin's Land ..... W Sub-lot 567A	150 Taels.
1364	1357	1 1 8 4	W. Howie	„	N Mei's Land ..... S Chu and Wu's Land ..... E A Road ..... W Lot 513	800 „
1370	1363	2 5 8 6	F. A. Groom ...	„	N Pai's Land ..... S Pau's property ..... E Creek ..... W Woosung Road	600 „
1376	1369	1 3 4 0	„ ...	„	N Small Road..... ..... S Soochow Creek ..... E Property of Pao-yu-chong ..... W Lok's Land.....	200 „
1377	1370	2 6 1 3	„ ...	„	N Creek and Lok's Land ..... S Pathway and Lok's Land ..... E Lok's and Yao's Land ..... W Creek	1,000 „
1408	1401	1 3 6 5	H. Lester	„	N Tientsin Road..... S Half a passage .... E Half a passage ..... W 314 U. S. C.	800 „

LOTS OF LAND ASSESSED DURING THE YEAR 1882.—*Continued.*

No. of Lot.	No. of Title Deed.	Area.	Registered Owner.	Where Registered.	Boundaries.	Assessment per Mow.
1419	1412	1 2 5 7	T.W. Kingsmill	British.....	N Lot 473	300 Taels.
					S Public Road	
					E Lot 529	
					W Chihli Road	
1438	1431	4 3 2 4	H. Lester	„	N Tientsin Road.....	1,500 „
					S Nanking Road	
					E Lower Quangse Road	
					W Upper Quangse Road	
1442	1435	5 1 5 9	Jno. Bailey ...	„	N Foot-path	400 „
					S Chuen-hang Creek.....	
					E I's Land	
					W I's Land	
.....	350	0 4 5 9	H. Macartney .	U. States...	N Lot 344	500 „
					S 343 U. S. C.	
					E Lu's property	
					W Unregistered Land	
.....	382	5 7 7 7	A. Myburgh ...	„ ...	N Central Creek.....	500 „
					S Small Road	
					E Small Road	
					W Railway Road	
.....	388	0 5 7 8	R. W. Mustard	„ ...	N Undefined	1,000 „
					S Ningpo Road	
					E Unregistered Land	
					W Lot 474	

LOTS OF LAND ASSESSED DURING THE YEAR 1882.—*Continued.*

No. of Lot.	No. of Title Deed.	Area.	Registered Owner.	Where Registered.	Boundaries.	Assessment per Mow.
.....	389	0 3 0 0	R. W. Mustard	U. States...	N Land of Wei ..... S Lot 352 ..... E Land of Liu ..... W A Creek	300 Taels.
.....	392	4 9 2 3	E. P. Lalcaca .	„ ...	N Foot-path ..... S Official Road ..... E Pou-yuen Chong's Land ..... W Land of Hsui.....	150 „

LOCAL POSTMASTER'S REPORT.

SHANGHAI, 5th January, 1883.

To the FINANCE COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to submit my Report for the past year.

Correspondence.—Statement is appended of the mail matter which has passed through the office, showing a considerable increase over the previous year.

Subscribers.—The number of subscribers at the present time is 102 against 97 at the commencement of the year 1882 and 91 in the previous year.

Expresses.—The delivery of Expresses has been limited to four times daily at stated hours.

This change was found desirable in order to produce more regularity in the working of the office than existed formerly.

As the delivery of Expresses unavoidably interferes, to a certain extent, with the delivery of Correspondence, it was considered that four daily "Express" deliveries were sufficient for the present.

The system works well and all public requirements appear to be satisfied.

Branch Office in Hongkew.—I have already recommended the establishment of a branch office in Hongkew, which is almost a necessity now that this district is so much extended.

The extra expense may be estimated at about Tls. 500.

The general work of the Office has gone on satisfactorily.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. E. JONES,

Local Postmaster.

LOCAL POST OFFICE—REPORT FOR 1882.

Summary of Correspondence &c., passed through the office during the year 1882, *compared with the previous year.*

YEAR.	To and from the Ports.									Local.			Grand Total.	Expresses.
	Mails.		Total.	Letters.		Papers.		Parcels.		Total.	Letters, Papers, Post Cards, &c., posted at the Office.	Letters, Papers, Post Cards, &c., posted at the Pillar Boxes.	Total.		
	Dispatched.	Received.		Dispatched.	Received.	Dispatched.	Received.	Dispatched.	Received.						
1882	3,482	1,823	5,305	90,567	85,974	82,393	9,585	11,459	2,816	282,794	330,319	27,659	357,978	640,772	2,169
1881	3,016	1,660	4,676	81,808	77,914	73,190	8,293	15,009	2,600	258,814	302,063	17,073	319,136	577,950	1,852

LOCAL POST OFFICE.

The annexed correspondence refers to delivery of Letters, and Newspapers in Hongkew.

UNITED STATES CONSULATE-GENERAL,
SHANGHAI, 31st July, 1882.

SIR,—I am in receipt of a communication from a gentleman prominently engaged in business in Shanghai, from which I take the following, which is submitted for your consideration:—"Referring to a notice in the *Shanghai Evening Courier*,—cutting enclosed—may I enquire it something cannot be done to remedy an injustice to a large number of rent-payers residing in Hongkew. I am living, as you are aware, within three minutes walk of the English Consulate.

Were I living in any part of the English Concession my letters and papers would be delivered by the Local Post 6 p.m. delivery, but as I am residing just over the creek that divides the English and American concessions, I must wait until 7.30 p.m. delivery. There appears to be an element of absurdity in this arrangement, and I believe it will be only necessary to bring the matter to the notice of the Municipal Council to ensure a change. There is another matter that appears to have been overlooked. The painting of the telephone poles. I understand the Telephone Company promised to paint and make their poles tidy (including Hongkew poles), and I believe we are as much entitled to painted poles as our neighbours."

This is not the first complaint I have received upon this subject. I know too that they are well grounded, for it is frequently the case that mail matter, including the evening papers, reaches me through the Local Post as late as half-past 9 o'clock at night. I will thank you to inform me upon whose authority the Local Postmaster makes the unjust discrimination here complained of. There is no discrimination in favour of the people of Hongkew in the assessment and collection of taxes, and there should be none against them in the extension of facilities under the control of the Municipality. I beg also while on this subject to enquire if it is true that the Local Post collects 20 *cash* on pre-paid letters sent from the Consulate-General through that office.

I am Sir,

Your obedient servant,

O. N. DENNY,
Consul-General.

W. C. WARD, ESQ.,
Chairman of the Municipal Council,
Shanghai.

Shanghai, 3rd August, 1882.

SIR.—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your dispatch of 31st July, handing me extract from a letter you had received from a resident in Hongkew, complaining of the injustice done to a large number of rent-payers there, owing to

there being no delivery of letters to them through the Local Post Office after 5 p.m. until the newspaper delivery at 7.30.

The statement contained in the cutting from the *Shanghai Courier*, to which your correspondent refers, is not strictly accurate; there is certainly no delivery of letters after 5 p.m. till 7.30 to those residing to the eastward of Hongkew Creek, but no distinction is made at the 6 o'clock delivery of the Local Post Office between the English Settlement and Hongkew to the westward of the Creek.

As your correspondent resides within three minutes walk of the English Consulate he is, so far as the L.P.O. is concerned, in exactly the same position as any resident in the English Settlement.

With regard to your personal complaint about the late delivery of newspapers and mail matter, the Local Postmaster reports that occasionally the evening papers are not published in time for the 7.30 delivery, in which case they are not sent to the Post Office, but are delivered by coolies employed by the newspaper office, and may be late; in the same way it sometimes happens that letters from the outportss &c. are received just too late for the six o'clock delivery, in which case they are detained and sent out with the papers at 7.30 p.m.

As to the charge of twenty *cash* on covers forwarded by the United States Post Office, for delivery through the Local Post Office, it is a custom which has been in force for a great many years with the full cognizance, it is believed, of the officers in charge of the United States Postal Service.

It has not been thought advisable to admit one subscription to cover the United States Consulate-General and the United States Postal Service, as it is not admitted in similar cases with other countries.

The telephone poles, about which your correspondent complains, are the private property of the Great Northern Telegraph Company, who will no doubt use their discretion as to painting them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To O. N. DENNY, Esq.

UNITED STATES CONSULATE-GENERAL,
SHANGHAI, 21st August, 1882.

SIR,—Recurring to my communication of the 31st July, and your reply thereto dated the 3rd instant, I have the honour to request that you will instruct the Local Postmaster to make no discrimination between this side of Soochow Creek and the other in his administration of the Local Post-Office.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

O. N. DENNY,
Consul-General.

W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman of the Municipal Council,
Shanghai.

WATCH MATTERS.

Lighting

Public Lamps.—From the annexed letter it will be seen that the Directors of the Shanghai Gas Company have made a further reduction in their charge for the supply of Gas for the public lamps in the Settlement.

SHANGHAI, 17th March, 1882.

DEAR SIR,—I have pleasure in informing you that the Directors have decided to again make a reduction from the 1st April, 1882, in the monthly rate charged for public lamps, viz., from $3.50 to $3.30 per lamp, this sum to cover the cost of supplying gas, lighting, cleaning, repairing, and in addition, the necessary painting of lamp fittings once a year.

The price for gas supplied to the Council's buildings, the employees residing therein, the Fire Engine Stations, and the Public Garden, will be $3.00 per 1,000 cubic feet as heretofore, but from above-mentioned date subject to a monthly discount of 15°/₀.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

FRED. D. HITCH,

Chairman, Shanghai Gas Company.

W. C. WARD, Esq.

Chairman, Municipal Council.

Additional lamps have been placed in those parts of the settlement where most required making the total number 530 against 489 at the beginning of the year.

Electric Light.—In October last the Council made an arrangement with the Shanghai Electric Company for 10 lamps to be placed on the Bund till the end of the year, in order to allow the ratepayers a fair opportunity of judging whether the light is better suited than gas for the requirements of the settlement.

The charge for each lamp is $4 per week burning from dusk till 12.30 p.m., but if kept burning till daylight the charge will be $7 per week for each light.

Licenses.

Opium Shops.—Are steadily increasing in number, the income derived from this source during the year, showing an increase of Tls. 3,500 over the amount collected last year.

Pawn Shops.—The receipts have exceeded the estimates by Tls. 1,700, which is chiefly owing to there having been an additional month in the Chinese year, which allowed the license fees to be collected for five quarters, instead of for four as in ordinary years.

Jin-rik-shas.—Owing to the decision of the Court of Consuls restraining the Council from carrying out the resolution passed by the Ratepayers at the special meeting on 20th April, by which they were instructed to put up the Jin-rik-sha licenses to public tender, they decided to cease after the 30th June from restricting the number to 1,500 and to grant them in future for all Jin-rik-shas on the following conditions.

"The Superintendent of Police is instructed that the regulation restricting the number of Jinriksha licenses to 1,500 per month is now cancelled, and that in future licenses are to be granted for all Jinrikshas which prove on examination to be in thoroughly good condition.

"Before any Jinriksha is licensed, it must be submitted to a rigid examination and no license shall be issued for it unless it is found to be in thoroughly good order.

"All licensed Jinrikshas shall be examined at the beginning of each month, and if not found to be in thoroughly good order and condition, they are to be prevented from plying for hire, and their licenses are to be withdrawn.

"Every Jinriksha after having been examined and approved of, shall be immediately branded with a number on some part which cannot be easily removed or changed, and the license issued for it shall bear a number corresponding with that branded on the jinriksha."

Since the withdrawal of the restriction, the number of jinricksha licenses issued, has averaged about 2,500 per month. Latterly owners complain of the difficulty they experience in getting suitable coolies for them; and assert that the business is not a profitable one now, as the rate at which they can be let out for hire is very much less than formerly.

We, the undersigned petitioners, Chang Seau-tze, Tsze Sue-dong, Chang Sung-kaw, etc., pray that the Council will not cause our jinrickshas to be inspected every month, and we agree to pay an increased rate of license fee if the number to be licensed is again limited as before.

Since the regulation was altered last July, and licenses granted without restriction as to number, we have suffered great distress. Formerly there were only 1,500, now there are over 2,000 jinrickshas, and the number is increasing monthly; now if the Council do not put some limit on the number, there will so many as to interfere with the traffic on the roads, and many collisions will take place owing to the coolies who draw the jinrickshas being unfit for the work.

Now we are obliged to let out our jinrickshas at 100 cash per day, and sometimes we cannot even get that amount.

We therefore pray your Council to limit the number of licenses as formerly, and not to oblige us to have our jinrickshas iuspected every month, which will save you a good deal of trouble, but instruct the Police to strictly watch the jinrickshas, and if any are in bad order, or if the coolies disobey the regulations, let the licenses be forfeited for a few days, and the coolies punished.

Carriages.—There has been a considerable increase in the number of carriages standing for hire at the Native Livery stables, and plying on the streets. The greatest number of licenses issued in one month was in May, when there were 248 against 188 in same month last year, but during the other months the increase was not so large, the average number having been 206 against 173 last year.

Wheelbarrows.—The number of Wheelbarrows licensed during the year has averaged about 1,500 per month, but owing to the increased number of Jinrickshas, and the reduced fares now charged by them, there has latterly been a great falling off in the number, only 1,225 having been licensed in December against 2,039 in the same month last year.

POLICE.

Variations in the Police Force during the year.

Foreigners.—One sergeant and five constables have resigned, five constables have been dismissed, and one constable has died.

Eleven men have joined the force.

Natives.—Fifteen constables have been dismissed and two have died.

Twenty-seven men have joined the force.

Present Strength.—On 31st December 1882.

Thirty foreigners.

One hundred and seventy natives.

Of these, there are employed on special duties:

Foreigners, one sergeant and four constables.

Natives, twelve constables.

In consequence of the increased number of carriages using the Bubbling Well road, four additional constables have been placed along it to regulate the traffic, and to prevent the overcrowding of carriages.

As nearly the whole of the settlement is now built over, and the number of inhabitants is increasing daily, the principal streets have become more crowded with pedestrians and vehicles of different kinds; it is therefore necessary that there should be additional constables to regulate the traffic. At present there are about 4,000 vehicles licensed to ply for hire in the settlement, which gives employment to about 7,000 coolies, many of whom are of the lowest class, without any fixed place of residence.

As they are continually changing, going backward and forward between Shanghai and their native places, or finding employment elsewhere, it is difficult to exercise any control over them; hence the necessity for having constables stationed in the streets to instruct them in, and to enforce the rules of the road.

Accidents frequently occur owing to the carelessness of the jinrickshа coolies who rush along the streets with their heads down, and never look where they are going.

Since the withdrawal of the restriction as to the number of licensed jinrickshas, competition has become so great that the coolies find some difficulty in earning a living; consequently the better and stronger men

are now finding other employment. Fares have been reduced and as the jinrickshas are chiefly used by Chinese who settle before getting into them about the fare to be paid, they are the gainers by the reduction.

On the back of each jinricksha and wheelbarrow license is printed in simple characters the rules of the road, but this is almost useless, as but few of the coolies are able to read.

Decorations and Rewards.

In May last the Austro Hungarian, Acting Consul-General informed the Council that H. I. and R. Apostolic Majesty by an Imperial decree dated 11th February had deigned to confer upon Superintendent Penfold the Golden Cross of Merit, and upon Inspector Stripling the Silver Cross with the crown in recognition of the services rendered by them to the Austro Hungarian Consulate General since its establishment in 1869, and asked in what manner they would wish the distinction to be presented.

At the request of the Chairman the Acting Consul-General attended at the Council room on the morning of 3rd June when accompanied by the members of Council he proceeded to the court yard of the Central Station, when the whole police force was drawn up, and in their presence he presented the decorations to Messrs. Penfold and Stripling, thanking them for the services they had rendered to the Consulate General.

On the 16th July the Native Constable No. 81, who was on duty near the Hongkew Bridge had two Chinamen pointed out to him who were said to be armed with revolvers, and on his going up to address them, he was shot at by one of them, and severely wounded in the chest. The two men then got into a sanpan in the creek and endeavored to escape, but one fell overboard into the water, and after swimming a short distance was captured by another constable who had then come to the spot. The other managed to get away into the country but being pressed on by a crowd of natives, he got on the roof of a house, where he was eventually captured by the police after he had fired five shots amongst the crowd, wounding a native carpenter in the shoulder.

It subsequently transpired that the men were two convicts under sentence of death who had escaped from prison in Tientsin to which place they were sent back, and beheaded soon after their arrival there.

The Mixed Court Magistrate handed the Superintendent of Police Tls. 100 to be divided amongst the three constables who arrested the

men, and in addition the Council awarded to each of them a donation of Tls. 25 as a mark of their appreciation of the services rendered by them on this occasion.

The Native Carpenter who was wounded in the shoulder was also rewarded by the Mixed Court Magistrate.

Builders Strike.

In June last the Ningpo and Saoshing men employed in constructing some new houses in Canton road, refused to work as the head man had reduced their wages, and made some alteration in the food supplied to them, with which they were dissatisfied; other men were engaged to replace them, on which a disturbance took place, the men on strike attempting to prevent the others from working, and four of them were in consequence brought to the Police Station.

Next day they were taken before the Mixed Court Magistrate who ordered two of them to be locked up until they could find security for their good behaviour in future, and this excited the indignation of their friends, who attempted to rescue them but were prevented by the Municipal police.

During the afternoon a very large number of carpenters and builders collected at the house of the head man, with the intention of getting hold of him, but as he had taken refuge in the Mixed Court, they were unable to do so, on which they commenced to break the doors and windows of the house, and otherwise damage his property.

Inspector Wilson and a party of police from the Louza station were soon in the spot, but were unable to disperse the crowd, who saluted them with a volley of stones, and brickbats compelling them to take shelter in the house. Information of this was conveyed to the Central Station, and shortly afterwards Superintendent Penfold with a large body of armed constables made his appearance on which the crowd quietly dispersed.

As fears were entertained that they might return at night and attempt to set fire to the house, an express was sent out at 6 p.m., calling on the volunteers to hold themselves in readiness to turn out should the alarm be given, but fortunately their services were not required, and the matters in dispute between the employers, and workmen were settled without any further disturbance.

Strike of Cargo Boatmen.

About a month after the Builders strike, Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Agents for the Shanghai Cargo Boat Company, informed the Council that the boatmen formerly employed in their cargo boats; and who had struck for higher wages, were interfering with the new men engaged to supply their place, which would probably lead to a disturbance; they therefore requested that the Superintendent of Police should be instructed to take such steps as might be necessary to preserve the peace.

On receiving this information additional constables were ordered to be stationed at the different pontoons in the settlement in order to prevent any interference with the boatmen, and in compliance with a request from Mr. Wheelock constables were sent to protect his private dwelling house on the Bubbling Well road, but no disturbance took place.

Crime.

During the year four cases of murder have occurred within the settlement.

1st. A Chinaman living in Hongkew who had some suspicions about his wife, having found her in company with another man, attacked the latter, murdered him, and then cut off his head. He then stabbed his wife, but was prevented from killing her by his mother, who lived in the house with them; immediately afterwards he went into the city and gave himself up to the authorities, stating that he had killed his wife and the man he found with her. The wife eventually recovered, and the husband after being kept in the city for some months, was released.

2nd. During a quarrel between some men on board boats in the Soochow Creek, one of them struck a boy with a boat book, wounding him severely. The boy was taken to the hospital where he died, and the man sent into the city, where he was kept for one month, and then released.

3rd. A man who had been quarrelling with his wife, took up his child, who was about 3 years of age, and in a fit of passion, dashed it against the floor until he killed it. He was taken before the Mixed Court and sent into the city.

4th. On the evening of the 26th December a house in Quangse road, occupied by a mandarin and his wife, along with their child and four servants, was burned down, and next day on turning over the ruins, the bodies of the two first were discovered amongst them, On examination it was found that the mandarin's head had been cut off and removed and that his wife had been strangled, the rope being still round her neck. In the meantime all the servants had disappeared, but soon afterwards one of them, a woman, was found with the child, and from her it was ascertained that the mandarin and his wife had been murdered by the other servants, assisted by four men, who then set fire to the house and escaped, taking with them all the money and jewellery on which they could lay their hands. Two of the servants have been arrested at Soochow, and it is supposed that the other one will soon be taken.

On the morning of 8th May the body of a woman was found in a small creek at the side of the Bubbling Well road, with the throat cut; the deceased had evidently struggled with her murderer, as her hands were much cut, as if she had seized the knife.

On enquiry it was found that the woman was 19 years of age, and that she was servant to a man in the city, who had bought her six years previously in Hankow.

Some days before her body was found, she had left her master's house taking with her a gold bracelet worth $160, the property of her mistress.

An inquest was held on the body by the Che Hsien, and it was decided that she had committed suicide; consequently no further enquiries were made.

Sick and Destitute Foreigners.

On the 1st January 1882, there were 6 destitute foreigners in the free beds at the General Hospital, and during the year 66 have been sent and admitted to the Hospital.

Of these 55 were discharged cured, 9 died, and 8 are now left in the Hospital.

RETURN OF FOREIGERS ARRESTED BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,

FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1882.

	Absentees.	*Assault.*	*Cutting and Wounding.*	*Desertion.*	*Drunk and Incapable.*	*Drunk and Disorderly.*	*Larceny.*	*Misdemeanor.*	*Murder.*	*Total.*
January	2	2	...	1	9	6	...	...	...	20
February	...	3	...	...	10	6	...	2	...	21
March	...	...	...	2	4	2	1	2	...	11
April	5	2	...	...	6	4	...	...	...	17
May	...	2	...	1	11	6	...	1	...	21
June.....	1	1	...	2	11	2	...	1	...	18
July	...	3	...	1	8	4	2	8	...	26
August	1	1	...	1	6	5	1	...	...	15
September	1	1	...	4	4	3	...	...	...	13
October	1	...	...	3	10	9	...	...	...	23
November	...	1	...	1	8	1	2	...	...	13
December.....	...	1	...	...	5	2	2	...	...	10
	11	17	...	16	92	50	8	14	...	208

MONTHLY RETURN OF PRISONERS APPREHENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,

From 1st January to 31st December, 1882.

	Absconding.	*Assault.*	*Burglary and house-breaking.*	*Cruelty to Animals.*	*Cutting and wounding.*	*Drunkenness.*	*Embezzlement.*	*Firing crackers.*	*Forgery.*	*Fraud.*	*Furious riding or driving.*	*Gambling.*	*Kidnapping.*	*Larceny.*	*Larceny by servants.*	*Loitering.*	*Misdemeanour.*	*Murder.*	*Nuisance.*	*Obstruction.*	*Receiving stolen property.*	*Riotous and destroying property.*	*Robbery.*	*Shouting and creating a disturbance.*	*Squeezing.*	*Uttering.*	*Vagrancy.*	*Jin-rio-sha Coolies dirty or plying for hire with dirty vehicles*	*Total.*
January,	...	38	11	...	...	8	1	5	2	3	...	104	...	88	3	3	17	...	52	5	2	19	...	40	1	...	439	207	1,048
February,	...	27	4	3	...	8	1	286	...	...	2	61	...	79	...	1	10	...	10	4	3	3	...	63	...	1	339	227	1,132
March,	1	33	15	1	...	13	..	5	...	1	2	2	5	75	1	5	18	...	19	5	9	5	...	19	3	...	345	260	842
April'	1	28	6	8	2	5	...	1	...	1	1	31	1	81	3	2	14	...	16	25	2	4	...	50	...	1	331	345	959
May'	...	37	4	8	...	6	1	1	...	2	3	11	3	59	7	5	7	...	21	11	...	11	...	37	3	..	227	248	712
June,	1	26	4	7	3	8	1	1	...	...	6	5	..	73	4	4	25	...	39	25	2	7	...	65	3	...	308	266	883
July,	...	21	5	1	4	5	...	...	...	1	...	7	2	84	5	11	15	...	29	15	...	13	...	46	7	...	275	403	949
August,	1	49	5	8	2	14	1	...	...	1	5	43	...	69	1	12	24	1	35	31	...	10	...	32	2	...	322	318	986
September,	1	31	3	5	..	3	2	1	...	2	2	6	1	92	2	9	17	...	28	20	...	3	...	46	2	1	233	396	906
October,	...	59	9	8	3	13	...	3	...	3	1	6	3	88	2	5	10	...	91	12	1	8	...	60	1	...	348	319	1,053
November,	...	24	5	2	1	6	...	...	...	2	1	3	3	88	3	6	8	1	10	8	2	11	...	29	...	...	247	285	745
December,	1	18	4	2	3	8	2	3	...	3	1	3	...	94	1	4	6	...	7	7	1	2	...	40	...	...	311	228	749
	6	391	75	53	18	97	9	306	2	19	24	282	18	970	32	67	171	2	357	168	22	96	...	527	22	3	3,725	3,502	10,964

CONDITION OF CHINESE PRISONERS APPREHENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE FORCE,

From 1st January to 31st December, 1882.

	Neither read nor write.		Read only or read and write imperfectly.		Read and write well.		Known Thieves.		Unknown.		Opium smokers.		10 and under 20 years		20 and under 30 years		30 and under 40 years		Upwards of 40 years.		Total.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Absconding	3	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	5	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	1	1	6
Assault	325	3	58	...	5	...	5	...	383	3	32	...	40	...	181	1	121	1	46	1	391
Burglary & house breaking	59	..	16	...	...	...	35	...	40	...	26	...	14	...	28	...	26	...	7	...	75
Cruelty to animals	50	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	53	...	1	...	7	...	29	...	12	...	5	...	53
Cutting and Wounding	17	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	16	...	5	...	3	...	6	...	6	...	3	...	18
Drunkenness	78	1	14	...	4	...	...	...	96	1	7	...	1	...	28	...	39	...	28	1	97
Embezzlement	4	...	2	...	3	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	3	...	...	...	9
Firing Crackers	248	...	45	...	13	...	...	...	306	...	73	...	27	...	90	...	101	...	88	...	306
Forgery	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Fraud	7	...	10	...	2	...	...	...	19	...	5	...	...	...	9	...	6	...	4	...	19
Furious riding or driving	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	4	...	13	...	5	...	2	...	24
Gambling.	218	...	55	...	9	...	19	...	263	...	73	...	13	...	97	...	98	...	74	...	282
Kidnapping	9	7	2	...	...	...	2	...	9	7	1	...	...	...	6	...	2	2	3	5	18
Larceny	842	3	105	...	20	...	218	...	749	3	403	...	74	...	425	2	347	1	121	...	970
Larceny by servants	20	1	8	...	3	...	...	...	31	1	...	...	5	...	15	...	7	1	4	...	32
Loitering	61	...	6	...	...	...	27	...	40	...	22	...	5	...	32	...	22	...	8	...	67
Misdemeanor	146	13	5	...	7	...	12	1	146	12	29	3	24	...	54	10	64	1	16	2	171
Murder	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	..	1	...	2
Nuisance	312	1	39	...	5	...	...	...	356	1	57	...	26	...	128	...	117	...	85	1	357
Obstruction	162	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	168	...	18	...	9	...	76	...	65	...	18	...	168
Receiving stolen property	15	1	5	...	1	...	2	...	19	1	4	...	...	...	4	...	8	1	9	...	22
Riotous & destroying property.	89	...	5	...	2	...	...	...	96	...	5	...	3	...	55	...	27	...	11	...	96
Robbery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shouting, creating disturbance	477	3	40	...	7	...	4	...	520	3	76	...	22	...	246	...	186	1	70	2	527
Squeezing	13	...	9	...	...	...	3	..	19	...	4	...	1	...	12	...	7	...	2	...	22
Uttering	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	3
	3183	34	436	...	84	...	329	1	3374	33	844	3	278	...	1545	13	1274	8	606	13	3737

RETURN ON PUNISHMENTS INFLICTED ON CHINESE PRISONERS APPREHENDED BY THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,
FROM 1ST JANUARY TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1882.

	Blows.			Cangue.			Imprisonment.				Blows, Cangue & Imprisonment.												
	Under 50.	50 under 100.	Upwards of 100.	Not exceed. 7 days.	7 days & not more 1 month	Upwards 1 month.	Not exceed. 7 days.	Upwards 7 days not exed. 1 month.	Upward 1 mth. not exed. 6 months.	Upwards 6 months.	Not exed. 100	Upds. of 100.	Not ex. 1 mth.	Upds. 1 mth.	Not exceed. 6 months.	Upds. 6 mth.	Fined.	Referred to City.	Deported.	Remanded.	Warned.	Dismissed.	Sent to Refuge.	Total.
Absconding,.....	...	...	...	..	...	2	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	..	...	...	2	...	...	6
Assault, ...	...	8	...	...	10	2	29	25	16	...	5	...	1	2	2	...	165	5	...	34	14	78	...	391
Burglary & House-breaking....	...	...	...	...	3	1	2	18	37	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	...	1	1	...	75
Cruelty to animals,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	...	...	...	1	3	...	53
Cutting and wounding, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	6	2	...	2	...	...	...	18
Drunkenness, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	2	9	19	...	97
Embezzlement, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	3	...	...	...	9
Firing crackers, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	304	..	...	...	1	...	...	306
Forgery, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Fraud, ...	...	1	..	1	...	...	...	4	7	...	1	..	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	1	...	19
Furious riding or driving, ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	..	4	...	24
Gambling, ...	...	3	...	1	10	1	41	54	20	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	134	...	...	...	6	1	1	282
Kidnapping,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	4	...	6	...	...	...	18
Larceny, ...	3	15	...	19	61	9	183	284	132	14	7	3	2	5	1	2	24	6	13	59	17	99	22	970
Larceny by servants, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	8	8	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	9	..	32
Loitering,.....	...	...	...	2	2	...	13	18	14	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1	3	7	4	2	67
Misdemeanor, ...	...	2	...	...	1	1	44	12	7	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	63	2	2	6	7	12	8	171
Murder, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2
Nuisance, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	318	...	...	...	3	3	...	357
Obstruction,.....	...	...	...	1	...	...	56	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	89	..	...	...	15	6	...	168
Receiving stolen property,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	..	3	2	2	1	...	22
Riotous & destroying property.	1	...	...	...	3	...	2	7	8	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	58	..	...	9	2	6	..	96
Robbery, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shouting, Creating disturbance	5	...	...	...	8	...	51	13	9	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	214	..	3	24	30	168	...	527
Squeezing, ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	13	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	22
Uttering, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Total...	9	29	1	24	99	14	486	466	283	43	16	5	5	8	6	2	1493	21	23	154	118	419	34	3737

Prison Accommodation.

The attention of the Council having been directed to the want of proper accommodation for the increasing number of prisoners at the different Police Stations, it was decided that an endeavour should be made to secure H. B. M. Gaol for the municipality, if it could be purchased, or leased on reasonable terms.

The following is the correspondence with H. M.'s Office of Works on the subject.

Shanghai, 9th November, 1882.

Sir,—The Municipal Council, having in view the necessity of providing additional prison accommodation to meet the contingencies caused by the rapid increase in the population of the Settlements North of the Yang-king-pang, have instructed me to enquire of you whether H. M.'s Government would be willing to sell to them the British gaol and the ground appertaining to it. The Council, in desiring to acquire the property, would propose that a certain portion of the building, or a certain number of cells in it, should be reserved for British Consular prisoners, and they would hope that in consideration of the building being still applied to the purposes for which it was originally intended, and has been hitherto used, H. M.'s Government will be prepared to name such resonable terms of purchase as will be likely to meet with the sanction of the Ratepayers.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. Thorburn,

Secretary.

To F. J. Marshall, Esq.,
H. M.'s Office of Works.

H. M.'s Office of Works,
Shanghai, 1st December, 1882.

Sir,—With reference to your letter to me of the 9th ultimo. No. 82/499 in which you state that the Municipal Council desire to be informed whether H. M.'s Government would be willing to sell to them the British gaol here and the ground appertaining to it, I have the honour to acquaint you that I am forwarding the request of the Council for the consideration of the first Commissioner of H. M.'s Works.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

F. J. Marshall.

Acting Surveyor.

R. F. Thorburn Esq.,
Secretary.
Municipal Council, Shanghai.

LEKIN RUNNERS IN THE SETTLEMENT.

Shanghai, 12th September, 1882.

SIR—I have the honour to inform you that on the 2nd inst., a native Police sergeant found two men quarrelling in the Shanse road and on enquiry he ascertained that one was a Lekin runner from the Custom House near the Stone Bridge on the Soochow Creek, and that he had arrested the other man for having in his possession a bundle of silk on which the lekin had not been paid.

The owner of the silk admits that he brought the silk from Ningpo some two months since, and that he has not paid the lekin on it.

As the Council consider that occurrences of this sort may lead to serious troubles, they will feel much obliged if you will inform them whether the native Authorities have the right to send their runners into the Settlement to arrest, without any warrant, any person whom they find in possession of native produce on which they think, or are able to prove that the lekin has not been paid.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To Dr. FOCKE,
Consul-General for Germany,
and Senior Consul.

Shanghai. 13th September, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter date the 12th instant, stating that a *lekin* runner has been found to arrest, without a warrant, a native within the Settlement for having in his possession a bundle of silk on which the *lekin* had not been paid, and enquiring whether the native authorities have the right to cause arrests of such a kind to be made within the Settlement.

Before I bring your communication to the notice of my colleagues, I should feel obliged if you would afford me some more information regarding the details of said occurrence. In my opinion it would make a material difference, for instance, whether the *lekin* runner had regularly posted himself within the Settlement with the object to make that arrest, or whether he had only pursued a person detected in an attempt to smuggle.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
FOCKE
His German Majesty's Consul General and Senior Consul

To W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman, Shanghai Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 15th September, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 13th instant, and reply, I beg to say that the man arrested on 2nd instant by the Lekin runner was carrying the silk through the Settlement from his house in Pekin road, with the intention of taking it into the city for sale there, and it is supposed that the Lekin office received information from some one that the silk was to be taken into the city on that morning.

I beleve that no attempt would have been made to seize the silk in the house of the owner ; but I understand that there are always runners in and about the Settlement belonging to the different Lekin offices engaged in pursuing their calling.

When the two men were found quarrelling in the Shanse road, the runner informed the native sergeant that he was trying to bring the other to the Louza Police Station, in order to have him sent to the Mixed Court, whilst the owner of the silk asserted that the runner intended to take him to the Lekin Station outside the Settlement.

Both men were taken before the Mixed Court, charged with creating a disturbance, and remanded.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C, WARD,
Chairman.

Shanghai, 30th December, 1882.

SIR,—In further acknowledgment of your letter of 12th September last, referring to the attempted arrest of a Chinese within the Settlement by a lekin runner, I have the honour to state that the Consular Body concur with the Council in their view that occurrences of such a kind may lead to conflicts. The Treaty Consuls have placed themselves therefore in communication with the Taotai in order to ascertain if the lekin runner in that particular case had been authorized to act as he has done, but no reply having been received up to date, they have now suggested to the Taotai the issue of instructions according to which the employés of the lekin offices ought first to obtain a warrant from the Mixed Court and the aid of the Municipal Police whenever they have to resort to forcible measures against Chinese subjects residing within the Settlement.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
FOCKE,
His German Majesty's Consul-General and Senior Consul.

W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman, Shanghai Municipal Council.

Nuisance Branch.

The Inspector reports that as usual the streets and alleyways in the Settlements have been swept and cleaned, the former twice and the latter once daily throughout the year, and the garbage removed in boats.

The number of Cart-loads collected has been.

English Settlement.....	22,871	against	19,378	last year.
Hongkew „	13,380	„	12,376	„
	36,251		31,754	

being an increase of 4,497 over last year, besides which 2,732 Cart-loads, of mud, sand, &c. have been collected from the streets and side channels.

The street sinks have been cleaned on an average once in three weeks and the deposit from them removed outside the settlement.

Disinfectants consisting of Carbolic acid, carbolate of lime, and copperas mixed according to the directions of the Health officer have been freely used, more particularly during the summer months. The side channels in the Maloo have been daily washed down after the market is closed, and disinfectants have been used from May till October.

The roads in the settlements, and the Bubbling Well road have been watered on 236 days during the year. The Watering Carts have been fitted with strong springs in order to reduce as much as possible the noise made by them in passing along the streets.

There have been no complaints of any serious nuisances; the night soil contractor has performed his duties in a satisfactory manner.

Owing to the great extension of the inhabited parts of the settlement the Inspector found it neccessary in the early part of the year to employ an extra number of coolies to sweep the streets, and remove the garbage and on his recommendation the Council authorized the engagement of an additional overseer to superintend the cleaning of the alleys in the English settlement, and an assistant overseer for Hongkew.

The attention of the Council having been directed to the annoyance and incovenience caused to all those either walking or riding along the Bubbling Well road, owing to the residents there allowing the refuse, and garbage from their houses to be thrown out on the road, where they remained emitting a most offensive smell, it was decided to instruct the Surveyor to arrange for their removal once daily, which is now done.

Complaints however are still made as the refuse is often thrown out after the cart employed to remove it has passed, and it consequently remains on the road till the following day.

Local Lotteries.

In August last the Superintendent of Police reported that there were 59 shops in the settlements for the sale of local lottery tickets, 56 of which were kept by natives, and 3 by Portuguese; these tickets cost $1 each, but as each is divided into 10 parts, one part can be bought for 120 cash so that even the poorest coolie is tempted to buy a share.

As these lotteries had a most demoralizing effect upon the natives, who resorted to all sorts of means in order to get money to buy tickets, the Council decided to have them stopped, and the shops closed, but this was found almost impossible, as when the owners were summoned before the Mixed Court, foreigners came forward, who asserted that the shops were their property, and as the Court had no jurisdiction over them it was powerless to deal with the cases.

The Council then wrote to the Acting Consul General for Portugal asking him to prohibit all Portugueese subjects from selling these local tickets, and through his good offices it was arranged, that if the Chinese owners were again summoned before the Mixed Court, no Portuguese should come forward to protect them.

On the 4th December the Superintendent of Police reported that all the local lottery offices in the settlement, conducted by Chinese had been closed by the Mixed Court, and there were then only 7 open, all conducted by Foreigners; at this time however the natives began to have some suspicions about the manner in which these lotteries were conducted, and as none of them ever got any prizes, they naturally came to the conclusion that there must be something wrong.

In order to satisfy themselves a crowd assembled in December at one of the shops on the day appointed for the drawing, seized upon the wheel in which the tickets were placed ready to be drawn, and as they anticipated, the number was found to be considerably short; on this being ascertained a riot took place, the crowd taking possession of the shop, turning out the owner, and breaking all the furniture, etc.; which has practically put a stop to local lotteries.

Soon after this occurrence the following proclamation was issued by the Mixed Court Magistrate.

Proclamation, issued by CHEN, *Magistrate of the Mixed Court at Shanghai.*

Although when Chinese and Foreigners on former occasions took Manila lottery tickets, cut them up into tenths, and besides this issued forged tickets, I have always set my face against it, and I have sentenced Chinese accused of having secretly sold such tickets, and hereby violating the law, on proof of guilt, to either imprisonment or fine. Foreigners lending their names to such transactions were dealt with by their respective Consuls.

At present there are some bad people who still dare to secretly sell tenths, forged tickets and old (used up) tickets mixed up together with new ones and thereby deceive people. They despise the law and everybody must needs hate them. The men who buy those tickets are also evildoers, they still will covet riches and will still be betrayed by the ticket sellers. Very often this will happen through their own fault.

As for the real Manila tickets, they are not forbidden, there are no rules concerning these.

Besides this strict prohibition I have also communicated with the Taotai in a petition. I hope everybody will know this. My prohitbition is in force from today, and you have to give up these evil practices.

Do not again borrow the name of foreign merchants, do not cut the tickets to tenths and sell them secretly mixed up with forged tickets. If you dare to do this again I will at once enquire into the matter and the punishment will be severe.

Let everybody obey.

A special proclamation.

Kuang Hsü 8th year. 11th month, 14th day.

True translation,

K. F. STREICH

Noises in Streets.

U. S. Consulate-General,
SHANGHAI, 18th April, 1882.

SIR,—I am in receipt of a communication from Mr. Henry Sylva, an American citizen living at No. 37, Szechuen Road, complaining of a nuisance from jinriksha and wheelbarrow coolies, caused by their congregating in front of his premises for the solicitation of patronage.

Also that the foreshore on the Soochow Creek in front of his residence is now being used for purposes which, if not discontinued, will make it necessary for him to change his residence which would cause him both trouble and expense.

I will thank you therefore to issue such instructions as will tend to remove as far as practicable the cause for complaint.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
O. N. DENNY,
Consul General.

To. W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman of the Municipal Council,
Shanghai.

Shanghai, 24th April, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 18th instant, and in reply, I beg to say that the Council have given such instructions to the Police regarding the nuisances mentioned by Mr. Henry Sylva, as will, they hope, remove as far as practicable, any further cause of complaint on his part.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To O. N. DENNY, Esq.,
Consul-General for the United States.

Night Soil boats in Yang-king-pang.

SHANGHAI, 24th April, 1882.

SIR,—On behalf of the Lessee of Messrs. Sassoon and Cushny's lots on the new Hoihow and Hupeh Roads I have to ask the Council to proceed as soon as possible with the formation of the roads handed over to the public.

I am also requested to call its attention to the nuisance caused to these and adjacent properties by the present sanitary arrangements, which permit boats carrying night soil to remain at rest in the portion of the Yang-king-pang immediatety adjoining, with a view to having those arrangements amended either by opening the upper end of the Creek, or by introducing a system of air tight reservoirs on board such boats as is practised under like conditions in Europe.

Yours faithfully,
T. W. KINGSMILL.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

SHÂNGHAI, 28th April, 1882.

SIR,—I have to acknownledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th instant. The Surveyor has been directed to proceed with the formation of the roads to which you refer with all despatch.

With regard to the nuisance caused by the congregation of boats in the Yang-king-pang, I am instructed to say that the department charged with the supervision of such matters will endeavour to mitigate as far as possible the nuisance complained of. The upper end of the Creek has been open for some years, but it seems inevitable that the boats remain in the Creek over one tide, and that while they are being loaded some inconvenience must result to the public.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. E. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To T. W. KINGSMILL, Esq.

SHANGHAI, 21st October, 1882.

SIR,—We beg to inform you that owing to the night-soil boats being allowed to anchor in front of Municipal Lots Nos. 394 and 392, at the junction of the Chekiang and Sungkiang Roads, the value of the property is seriously depreciated and fair rentals cannot be obtained.

We shall feel much obliged by your giving instructions to have the above remedied as soon as possible.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

C. CUMINE,
By His Attorney, A. CUMINE,
Trustee, Estate of F. M. Milne.
THOS. W. KINGSMILL,
Trustee to Owner of Lot 605.
REUBEN D. SASSOON,
By His Attorney, R. A. GUBBAY,
Owner of Lots 1375, 1381, 1382, 1383.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, the Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 31st October, 1882.

GENTLEMEN,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 21st inst. stating that the value of the properties at the junction of the Chekiang and Sungkiang roads is seriously depreciated owing to the night-soil boats being allowed to anchor in front of them.

In reply, I am directed to say that the Council have instructed the department charged with the supervision of such matters to endeavour to mitigate as far as possible the nuisance complained of, but it seems inevitable that the boats must remain in the Creek for one tide, and that whilst they are being loaded some inconvenience must result to the public.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

Breaking in Ponies in Settlement.—

United States Consulate General,
SHANGHAI, 29th April, 1882.

SIR,—I beg to call your attention to the fact that of late a number of Chinese mafoos have been breaking in ponies within the limits of the Settlements, to the danger of life and property.

A collision occurred this morning, owing to the carelessness of a native, who was breaking in a spirlted griffin, and who ran recklessly into a carriage in which there were two foreign ladies.

I have been informed that this is only one of a number of similar cases which have occurred lately, and I beg that you will be good enough to instruct the Superintendent of Police to prohibit the practice complained of in the future.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
O. N. DENNY,
Consul-General.

To W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman, Municipal Council, Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, 9th May, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 29th ultimo, calling my attention to a collision which occurred on that morning through the carelessness of a native mafoo who was breaking in a pony in the settlement, and ran recklessly into a carriage in which were two foreign ladies.

In reply, I beg to state that a regulation has been in force for several years by which the breaking in of ponies in the streets of the settlement is prohibited after 8 to 9 o'clock a.m. and the Superintendent of Police has now been specially instructed to see that this regulation is strictly enforced.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To O. N. DENNY, Esq.,
United States Consul-General.

MARKETS.

The Inspector reports that he has daily inspected the markets where Foreigners get their provisions, and has found them well supplied with good and wholesome articles of food. Beef and Mutton have been good and plentiful, and there have always been abundant supplies of Fish Poultry, Game and Vegetables.

No siezure of bad meat has been made on the market, but 2,130 lbs. beef, and 165 lbs. mutton were rejected at the slaughterhouses as unfit for foreign consumption.

The number of animals killed for the use of Foreigners has been—

Oxen	6,414	against	6,210	last year.
Sheep	11,613	„	11,603	„
Calves	1,326	„	1,367	„
Pigs	458	„	461	„
	19,811		19,641	

and at the Grease shops for Native use—

Oxen	1,799	against	1,696	last year.
Water Buffaloes .	1,162	„	1,212	„
Sheep	50	„	49	„
Ponies	113	„	79	„
	3,124		3,036	

24 of the ponies killed were suffering from glanders, most of them being the property of Shantung dealers; the carcases of 46 animals which had died from disease were disposed of to the grease shops, and 24 Sick Oxen and Buffaloes were brought there to be killed.

The Native dairies have been inspected every fortnight, and the cattle in them were found healthy, and free from disease, except during the month of September, when some kind of epidemic attacked the animals in four of them, situated outside the settlement.

The calves and young stock were first affected, but subsequently the cows were also attacked; the disease carrying off 7 cows, and 14 calves.

On the 8th October 5 cows, 4 calves and 1 bull in a dairy near the second mile stone on the Bubbling Well road, were attacked by the disease, and died soon afterwards.

At present there are 21 Native Dairies with 298 head of cattle, of which 7 with 98 head are situated within the limits of Hongkew, and 1 with 12 head in the English settlement; all the others are outside.

The ponies at the Native Livery stables have always been found perfectly healthy but owing to overwork, many of them were frequently in very poor condition.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

FOR

1882.

The deaths of ninety six foreigners have been registered in Shanghai during the year 1882. A detailed statement of these will be found on page 60 of this report. At page 61 the deaths which took place among the actual residents are given separately (*a*). The deaths of twenty-three children have been registered during the year, and these will be found tabulated at page 61.

Age was ascertained in eighty-nine cases:—

		Adult Residents.
One year and under	13	
Over one year and under ten years	9	
10 years and under 20 years	6	1
20 „ „ 30 „	15	6
30 „ „ 40 „	3	5
40 „ „ 50 „	4	17
50 „ „ 60 „	2	5
60 „ „ 70 „	–	3
	52	37

Amongst adults the deaths of 61 men and 12 women were registered (*b*); while of infants and young children who died during the year 10

(*a*) Six months spent continuously in Shanghai are taken to constitute residence in this as in former reports. In making up these returns the separation of Residents from Non-Residents is always attended with some difficulty, and the results are I believe seldom absolutely correct.

(*b*) The census taken in 1880 gives 1,171 men and 502 women; this however was limited to the Settlements North of the Yang-king-pang, and did not include the shipping which would have added considerably to the number of the men. "For statistical purposes we have still much need of a carefully taken census which shall embrace the whole foreign community, and which, in addition to sex and numbers merely, shall give a return of age, condition, occupation and duration of residence." (Report for 1881.)

were males and 12 females (*a*). Nationality was registered in eighty three cases, the distribution being as follows:—Great Britain 42, Spain 10, Portugal 8, Germany 7, Manila 4, America 3, Austria 2, Sweden 2, France 1, Norway 1, Belgium 1, India 1, Mauritius 1.

For the sake of comparison with past years, the table of death rates given to former reports is here extended. The entire foreign population, resident and non-resident, is estimated at 3,000.

1870	deaths registered	103	—death rate	34.3	per 1,000
1871	„	99	„	33.0	„
1872	„	101	„	33.6	„
1873	„	90	„	30.0	„
1874	„	83	„	27.6	„
1875	„	67	„	22.3	„
1876	„	69	„	23.0	„
1877	„	85	„	28.3	„
1878	„	94	„	31.3	„
1879	„	81	„	27.0	„
1880	„	78	„	26.0	„
1881	„	111	„	37.0	„
1882	„	96	„	32.0	„

Forty deaths were registered during the first half of the year, and fifty-six during the last half. The largest number registered in one months was twelve, in September; the least, three, in February. The eaths of twenty-six adult Residents were registered.

Special Diseases of the Year.

Cholera.—Fifteen deaths during the past year are certified as due to Cholera, of which five belong to the resident population. The dates duration &c. of these are given separately in the table appended, and may be compared with the particulars given of three similar outbreaks, in 1877, 1878, and 1881 (see Health officer's Reports for these years).

(*a*) In the case of an Infant whose death was registered at the French Municipal Conncils' Office, the sex was not recorded.

No.	Date.	Sex.	Age.	Occupation, &c.	Duration.
1	9th Aug.	M	18	Seaman. Non-Resident. British.	5 hours in Hospital.
2	26th „	M	22	Seaman. Non-Resident. Malay.	One day.
3	28th „	M	65	Constable. Resident. British.	40 hours.
4	5th Sept.	M	25	Ship's Officer. Resident. British.	8¼ hours.
5	8th „	M	22	Seaman. About a month in Shanghai. German.	5 hours.
6	9th „	M	42	Seaman. Non-Resident. British.	3 days.
7	10th „	M	42	Police Constable. Resident. British.	18½ hours.
8	13th „	M	23	Ship's Carpenter. Non-Resident. Norwegian.	12 hours.
9	23rd „	M	26	Seaman. Non-Resident. British.	13 hours.
10	23rd „	M	22	Clerk. A few months in Shanghai. British.	2 days and 6 hours.
11	28th „	F	33	Resident. British.	9 hours.
12	2nd Oct.	M	29	Seaman. One night on shore in Shanghai. Swede.	3 days.
12	13th „	M	41	Store Assistant. Resident. British.	29 hours.
13	27th „	M	18	Cook. Three days in Shanghai. Mauritius.	4 days.
15	28th „	M	50	Master mariner. 8 days in Shanghai. British.	2 days.

From 1866 to 1874 inclusive, eo far as is known, there were no cases of Cholera among Foreigners in Shanghai; but in 1875 nine deaths were certified as due to that disease, and the table now given shews the yearly mortality in the foreign population from Cholera, since that date.

Year.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Total.
1875	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	4	9
1876	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
1877	.....	1	2	9	3	1	16
1878	.....	.....	3	8	3	2	16
1879	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	2
1880	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
1881	.....	.....	.....	7	6	.....	13
1882	.....	.....	3	8	4	.....	15
Total.	1	1	9	35	21	7	74

Twenty-three cases of Cholera were treated in the General Hospital during the months of August, September and October, viz:—In August 9 cases, September 11 cases, October 3 cases; of these, eleven were fatal. The returns of the Shantung Road Native Hospital shew 35 cases treated during the months of July, August, September, October, and November, with ten deaths *(a)*. Returns of the deaths occuring among the Natives inhabiting the Foreign Settlements, were obtained through the Tepaous, last August, for the first time. Cholera is, it would seem, a disease well known to the Chinese in this district, under the name of 發痧 Fa Sha, *(b)* and under this heading 109 deaths were registered as follows:—August 40, September 37, October 20, November 10, and December 2. Several cases of Cholera were I believe, registered also under the name of 傷寒 Shang Han, but this term includes Fevers of various kinds.

My own views with regard to this disease have already been fully stated in these reports *(c)*, but a brief recapitulation may not be considered out of place here. It is true (Asiatic) Cholera. It is due to a specific poison, which is probably swallowed along with certain articles of food and drink consumed by the individuals attacked *(d)*. It is endemic in this part of China. We know little definitely regarding the conditions, which, by favouring the development and diffusion of the poison, determine the epidemic prevalence of the disease; but it is certain that dirt and overcrowding are among them. Individual protection is to be sought chiefly in the avoidance of articles of food and drink which have not been subjected thoroughly to the process of boiling; water and milk are probably good carriers of the poison, and need special care. Alcoholic excesses, insufficient and improper food, over fatigue, and undue exposure to weather, are predisposing causes only, and quite insufficient of themselves to produce the disease. The fear of infection has no power

(a) Some cases of Simple Cholera may perhaps be included among these.

(b) All the deaths from Fa Sha are the deaths of adults, in a few (two to forty-eight) hours, the chief phenomena of the disease being profuse vomiting and purging with "collapse."

(c) See specially Health Officer's Report for 1881 p. 61 to 65 of the Municipal Report.

(d) "It is conceivable, that under circumstances of true epidemic prevalence, the Cholera poison may be so freely generated, and so widely diffused, as to load even the air with its germs, and that the respiratory act alone may be sufficient to convey it into the month of the victim; but where the outbreak is limited and the cases scattered, it is difficult to believe that the air has acted as the carrier" (Report 1881).

to produce Cholera, save in so far as by its depressing influence it interferes with nutrition, and lessens individual power of resistance during exposure to the action of the poison. Cholera, as we have hitherto seen it in Shanghai, does not seem to be directly communicated by the sick to those who are brought in contact with them, and the attendants on cases of Cholera need have little fear of infection. Of those who are attacked, the young and robust are naturally the most likely to recover; old age, natural or acquired weakness of constitution, and, above all, diseased conditions of the elimenating organs of the body, such as the degenerations resulting from intemperance, dispose to, or actually determine, a fatal issue. The Municipal Authorities, as guardians of the public health, should at all times, but more especially when sporadic Cholera appears in the district, have their attention directed to such matters as the efficiency of the arrangements made for the collection and removal of the night soil, the cleansing of the courts and alleys in the Chinese quarters, and the condition of the public drains. The prevention of overcrowding is clearly a duty which should devolve on the Municipal Authorities, but their power under the existing land Regulations is limited, and does not extend to the interior of the dwelling houses; the extension and widening of the public roads is perhaps the only way in which the Municipality can at present act efficiently in this direction. I have never thought it necessary in these reports to discuss Quarantine as a protection against Cholera in Shanghai, for, even if the danger to be apprehended were only that of invasion from without, the utter inpossibility of guarding the land and water approaches to the Settlements, must, I imagine, be apparent to all without discussion. Moreover, if compliance with the existing harbour regulations is likely to lead to any prolonged detention of ships or junks with Cholera on board at the lower limits of the harbour, then, in the case of Cholera at least, the sooner such restrictions are done away with the better; since, were the cases at all numerous, such a regulation would have the effect of increasing considerably the risks attending pollution of the River, by bringing the source of contamination in close proximity to the point of intake from which the Settlements are so soon to derive their water supply. Imported cases of Cholera should, at this Port, he brought on shore with as little delay as possible, to be treated in the General Hospital if few in number, or in a Hospital specially prepared for their reception, if their number is at all considerable.

It is important as well as interesting, to trace, in connection with this comparatively limited outbreak of Cholera in Shanghai, the progress which that disease made elsewhere during the year, but the limits of this report do not permit of my doing this at any length. I note here however a few facts to indicate the direction which such an enquiry might take. Cholera was last year epidemic in Japan between, and including, the months of April and August. In Yokohama, 164 cases with 92 deaths, were reported to have occurred between the 26th of April and the 29th of May. In Cochin-China, Cholera was epidemic for four months in the last half of the year, and is said to have occasioned the deaths of many thousands of the natives. The epidemic in Manila, which began in August and lasted about two months, was of altogether exceptional severity; in one province, as many as 1099 cases are reported to have occurred in a single day, with 994 deaths; while in Manila and its suburbs, the mortality has been estimated at nearly 10 per cent. of the whole population. Manila has not been visited by epidemic Cholera since 1863 (*d*).

Malarial Fevers.—I have to note the unusual prevalence of Fever of an Intermittent type among the resident foreign population during the month of August. Of the cases which came under my own immediate observation, many were characterised by a remarkable, and apparently sudden, elevation of temperature; the transition from a condition of seemingly perfect health being without previous warning. In a few, well marked vigors and vomiting marked the onset of the disease, but the greater number of the sufferers conplained only of chilliness, headache, and general malaise. Previous attacks of the same, or a similar, kind, evidently increased individual liability; and residence in the outskirts of the settlements was apparently a predisposing cause. At or about the same time catarrhal affections of the stomach and bowels were prevalent, but not, I think, more so than in previous years.

Enteric Fever.—Two deaths were registered from Enteric Fever. One on the 10th of April, a resident for three months in Shanghai; the other in July, a resident in Shanghai for several years. The death in April occurred in a house in the Kiangse Road, the illness commencing on the 1st of the month. At the same time, (on the 1st of April two cases

(*d*) In 1881, in the month of July, Cholera made its appearance at Bangkok, and was reported as prevailing 'with much virulence' throughout Siam. It broke out at Aden in September, and in October, was said to be 'raging' at Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya.

and 6th of April one case) three other resident foreigners were attacked, two of these residing in houses in the immediate neighbourhood of the Kiângse Road (Makalee Terrace), and the other a resident in the Szechuen Road, between the Foochow and Canton Roads. These cases occurred coincidently with the opening of the Kiangse and Szechuen Roads (*a*) for the purpose of laying the pipes for the new water supply, and this coincidence strengthened the opinion which I expressed to the Council in my letter dated 8th April, that it would be unwise to permit the laying of these pipes during the summer months.

Small Pox.—Two deaths were registered from Small Pox in December. These deaths in the Foreign population followed an outbreak of the disease among the natives which has not yet (31st January 1883) terminated. Among the natives inhabiting the Settlements North of the Yang-king-pang, 4 deaths were registered from Small Pox in November, 42 in December, and 28 in January (1883). The greater number of these occurred in district E, in the plan of the Settlement which I prepared for the purpose of native death registration in August. This district is situated in Hongkew, between the Hongkew Creek and the North Honan Road, being bounded on the South by the Tiendong and Seward Roads, and on the north by fields under cultivation and a creek which runs east and west (*b*). It includes a collection of poor native houses know as Bamboo Town, where a number of Manilamen, Malays and Indians, connected in various capacities with the shipping, have taken up their residence. In this district, and chiefly in Bamboo Town, there were six deaths from Small Pox during the first week of December, in the second week ten deaths were registered, in the third week six, and in the fourth week ten; making a total of thirty-two deaths in this district alone, during the month. From district E., the disease spread to the South of the Tiendong and Seward Roads, to district F.; and in this district, a single death was reported in the third week of December, and six deaths in the last week. Up to the end of December, the deaths from Small Pox among the Natives were confined to Hongkew; but on the 3rd of January (1883) a death was reported in the English Settlement, and up to the present date (31st January) four deaths have been registered there (*c*).

(*a*) The Kiangse Road was opened as far as the Canton Road on the 9th of March; the Szechuen Road was opened as far as the Pekin Road by the 22nd of April.

(*b*) District E has a population of about 8,500 Chinese and about 260 foreigners.

(*c*) Viz:—one in the Kiukiang Road, one in the Chefoo Road, one in the Fukien Road, and one in the Quangse Road.

The total number of native deaths from Small Pox registered in January has been twenty-eight, twenty-five of which occurred in Hongkew, and ten in district E. Of the total number of those deaths registered in December and January (70), sixty-six were children under ten years of age.

In December I wrote officially to the surgeons in charge of war vessels lying in the Harbour, announcing the epidemic prevalence of Small Pox, and declaring the districts in Hongkew (E. and F.) to be specially infected.

Scarlet Fever.—Two deaths are registered from this cause in April, and one other case, which recovered, was reported in the end of March. This is the second time that Scarlet Fever has appeared in the Register. The first was in 1873, a solitary case, presenting a malignant type, and said to have been imported from Chefoo; this death was registered in October.

Diphtheria.—One death from this cause is registered in November, and one in December. It is noteworthy that during the year many cases of so-called "diphtheritic" sore throat occurred in the foreign population, all however yielding more or less readily to appropriate treatment. The death in December came under my own immediate observation; in this case the nostrils pharynx and larynx, were the seat of characteristic exudation and ulceration; tracheotomy was performed early on the morning of the 12th day, death taking place at noon on the 13th day, apparently from a gradual failure of the powers of life. Further information regarding this disease as it has appeared in Shanghai, with a brief record of two similar cases, will be found in my Report for 1881 at page 10.

Phthisis.—Eight deaths were registered during the year from Phthisis, and in continuance of the table given in my last Report, I offer the following statement for consideration:—

No.	Date.	Sex.	Age.	Nationality.	Certified as :—	Duration.	Residence.
1	March	M	36	Gr. Britain	Pulmonary Phthisis.	.....	6 months
2	April	M	33	Sweden	do. do.	.....	"Weeks"
3	Aug.	M	45	Manila	do. do.	3 months.	Some months
4	Sep.	F	15	Portuguese	do. do.	.....	Since birth
5	Oct.	M	32	Gr. Britain	do. do.	3 years.	14 years
6	Nov.	M	23	Spain	do. do.	.....	6 years
7	do.	M	28	India	do. do.	.....	A few weeks
8	Dec.	M	31	Sweden	do. do.	.....	Non-resident

Besides the above, there are two deaths (June and October) registered as "Consumption" on consular certificates. Of the eight deaths tabulated, three at least appear to have developed in Shanghai (see Health Officer's Report for 1881 page 15.)

The following has reference to the death certificates, and is intended more especially for the information of medical men :—

Measles.—This case is qualified as malignant. *Scarlet Fever.*—Valvular disease of the heart resulting from endocarditis, is given as a "secondary cause" of death in the one case, and acute miliary tuberculosis in the other. The case of *Fever* in July, was fatal by cerebral effusion on the second day. In the death from *Tuberculosis*, capillary bronchitis is given as a secondary cause. The death from *Syphilis* is by chronic meningitis. *Cancer*, is qualified as internal. The *Abscess of Brain* was secondary to caries of the temporal, bone. *Rupture of the Heart* is rupture of the ventricle in a case of "Fatty Heart." The case of *Diarrhœa*, fatal in October, is qualified as acute; the case in November was accompanied by "fever," and was fatal by "exhaustion." The case of *Hepatic Abscess* is said to have burst through the lung, and "lung disease" is given as a secondary cause of death. Under the generic term Bright's Disease, are included four deaths returned respectively as:—Chronic Nephritis, Bright's disease, Albuminuria, and Chronic Interstiti al Nephritis. In the death from

Debility in December, rheumatism is given as a secondary cause. *Alcoholic Poisoning.*—one case is qualified as chronic, congestion of brain being given as a secondary cause of death; another is associated with diarrhœa, cerebral effusion being a secondary cause of death.

It has been customary in Shanghai to limit as far as possible all interference with the soil during the summer months, and in April, the Council consulted me as to the propriety of enforcing this rule in the case of the Water Works Company. The interference with the drainage of the Settlement, and the disturbance of the soil, caused by the laying of the pipes, together with the absence of distinct proof that a temporary delay in that particular part of the work would seriously retard the supply of water to the Settlements, seemed to me sufficient reasons for advising the Council to withhold all permits for opening the roads between the 1st of May and the return of cool weather. This view being generally endorsed by the members of the medical profession in Shanghai, the Council decided to prohibit the work, and the facts which have come to my knowledge regarding disease during the year, and which are recorded in the foregoing report, have fully justified their action.

EDWARD HENDERSON,
Health Officer.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN SHANGHAI DURING 1882.

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
Small Pox	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	5
Measles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Enteric Fever	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
Pernicious Fever	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cholera	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	3	8	4	...	...	15
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Syphilis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Cancer	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1
Scurvy	...	.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Marasmus, Infantile	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	1	1
Abscess of Brain	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Apoplexy	1	...	1	..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	8
Meningitis	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Spasm of Glottis	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Rupture of Heart	...	...	1	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Syncope	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	1	...	1
Imperfect expansion of Lungs	..	...	...	..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Pneumonia	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	3
Phthisis	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	2	2	9
Dysentery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Diarrhœa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	3
Cholera Infantum	...	..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Gastroenteritis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Intussusceptiou	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Disease of Liver and Kidneys	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Fatty degeneration of Liver and Heart	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Abscess of Liver	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
Peritonitis, Suppurative	...	...	...	...	1	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bright's Disease	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	...	...	4
Debility	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	1	1
Delirium Tremens	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Alcoholic Poisoning	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	..	...	3
Drowned	...	..	1	3	2	..	...	1	1	1	..	...	9
Fall ('from Aloft')	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Exposure to Cold	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Uncertified	...	...	1	...	...	2	2	1	...	2	1	...	9
Total	5	3	7	11	9	5	4	9	12	11	10	10	96

SHANGHAI DEATH RETURNS, 1882.

Adult Residents.

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Measles	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Enteric Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Cholera	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	1	...	...	5
Syphilis	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Cancer	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Apoplexy	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3
Rupture of Heart	...	..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Syncope	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	1	...	1
Pneumonia	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Phthisis	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	3
Dysentery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Fatty degeneration of Liver and Heart	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Abscess of Liver	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
Suppurative Peritonitis	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bright's Disease	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Debility	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Delirium Tremens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Alcoholic poisoning	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
Drowned	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	2
Uncertified	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	3
Total	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	4	5	7	3	4	36

Infants and Children.

Date.	Age.	Cause of Death.
January	4 years	Pernicious Fever.
March	7 years	Uncertified.
April	3 months.....	Pneumonia.
„	4 years	Spasm of Glottis.
May	6 days	Imperfect expansion of Lungs.
„	15 months.....	Meningitis.
„	12 months.....	Pneumonia.
„	3½ years	Small Pox.
June	6 months	Uncertified.
„	7 years	Tuberculosis.
„	9 months	Cholera Infantum.
July	22 days	Uncertified.
„	1 year	Uncertified.
August	8 months	Diarrhœa.
„	6 months	Gastroenteritis.
„	1 year and 8 months ..	Uncertified.
October.....	4 months	Diarrhœa, Acute.
November...	26 months	Diarrhœa and Fever.
„ ...	27 days.....	Intussusception.
„ ...	7 years	Diphtheria.
„ ...	7 days.....	Uncertified.
December...	7 months	Marasmus.
„ ...	8 years	Diphtheria.

WORKS MATTERS.

Buildings.

The outgoing Council of 1881 made provision in the Budget for the cost of a sectional police station, but left the incoming Council to decide whether it should be built in this settlement, or Hongkew.

After consulting with the Superintendent of police the Council came to the conclusion that the new station was chiefly required in this settlement, and they finally selected as the most convenient and suitable site for it, the vacant piece of land belonging to the Municipality, immediately adjoining the Lock Hospital, situated between the Foochow and Canton roads.

In May last a contract was made for the construction of the station, to contain accommodation for a Married Foreign Constable, 10 Native Constables, and cells for 10 to 12 prisoners, for the sum of Tls. 2,750.

The building was completed in October and is now occupied as a police station under charge of Sergeant Kluth.

Roads.

Foochow Road.—The foot path on the north side of this road has been continued as far as the Old Shanghai Hotel, the Council having purchased for this purpose, a strip of Lots 22 and 1217 measuring 168 × 4 from Mr. B. D. Benjamin, for the sum of Tls. 800.

Szechuen Road.—The side walk on the west of this road, has been completed between the Ningpo and Pekin roads, a strip of Lot 40 measuring 86 × 7 having been purchased from the Agent for Miss Crampton for the sum of Tls. 850 in which is included the cost of removing buildings &c.

Kiukiang Road.—Has been widened by acquiring from Dr. Little a strip of Lot 327B measuring 366 × 8 extending from the Yunan to the Thibet road for the sum of Tls. 710=40.

Siking Road.—The following correspondence refers to the arrangements made in 1875 regarding this road.

SHANGHAI, 20th May, 1882.

SIR,—Under a deed dated 22nd April, 1875, E. Iveson and W. Kidner, as Trustees of the Shanghai Real Property Association, and the late E. M. Smith, bound themselves not to erect Chinese houses, or rent to persons of ill fame, any building fronting the eastern end of the Siking road, under a penalty of ten thousand taels to be paid by them to the Municipal Council in the event of their doing so.

The bond stipulates that Chinese houses shall not be built fronting the Siking road, but does not restrict their unsightly backs or outhouses being next to it, neither is any objection made to Chinese hongs, or buildings of partly native and foreign construction, which could be occupied by Chinese, as Mr. Dowdall, your former Legal Adviser, in his letter to the Council dated 27th August, 1881, states, it only applies to ordinary Chinese houses as generally understood with wood fronts and backs, &c.

The bond apparently only debars from fronting the road ordinary Chinese houses or shops, being the class of structure now most suited to the neighbourhood, and as the whole of the property on each side of the road, belongs to the representatives of the persons who signed the document, it cannot be the slightest consequence to others whether Chinese houses are built fronting the road or not, the Council derive no benefit from the restriction, but on the contrary, as the frontage cannot be utilized to advantage, a large piece of land remains vacant, thereby causing loss of taxes to the community.

The circumstances under which the bond was entered into have now completely changed, insomuch that it has become objectionable and obstructive, does injury to the road by preventing its improvement, and no good to anyone, and may be a source of litigation and annoyance, consequently we, as the representatives of the persons who made it, are desirous of having it cancelled, so that the frontages of the Siking road may have the same advantages as all the other roads in the Settlements, and we therefore beg that the Council, as far as they are concerned, will not object to the Bond being retracted

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

RUSSELL & Co.,
Attornies for the Heirs of the Estate of the late E. M. Smith.

IVESON & Co.,
Gen. Managers, Shanghai Real Property Association.

HENRY LESTER.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, the Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 23rd May, 1882.

GENTLEMEN,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 20th inst., which has been submitted to the Council, and in reply I am directed to say that they do not see any reason for altering the arrangement made in 1875 by which the Trustees of the Shanghai Real Property Association and the late Mr. E. M. Smith bound themselves not to erect Chinese houses, or to rent to persons of ill fame any building fronting the Eastern end of the Siking road, under a penalty of ten thousand Taels, to be paid by them to the Municipal Council in the event of their doing so.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.,
Attornies for the Heirs of the Estate of the late E. M. Smith.
Messrs. IVESON & Co.,
Gen: Managers Shanghai Real Property by Association.
HENRY LESTER, Esq.

Yuen-fong Road.—A new 30 feet road has been opened up in continuation of the Yuen-fong road, extending from the Broadway to Seward road, the Council having acquired from Mr. Chu Yu Chee for this purpose a portion of his property in that neighborhood, measuring 2*m.* 3*f.* 9*l.* for the sum of Tls. 3,585.00 being at the rate of Tls. 1,500 per mow, in which is included the cost of moving graves and old buildings &c.

Seward Road.—After considerable difficulty an arrangement was made with the Ningpo guild in May last, by which they agreed to allow this road to be continued through their property, on their being paid the sum of Tls. 500, and the whole length is now open from the Hongkew Creek to Kung-ping road.

Broadway.—An agreement has been made with Mr. Saunders by which on condition of his being paid the sum of Tls. 300 he surrenders to the Council until the end of his lease on 31st December, 1898, a strip of land along the Broadway, extending from the Whangpoo road, measuring 130 × 2 along with a portion at the corner containing 300 feet.

New Roads.—A new 30 feet road has been made extending from the Woosung to a line in continuation of the Chapoo road between the buildings belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Mission and the new houses built by Mr. Chu Yu Chee, the latter having surrendered the land required for this purpose free of cost.

New Names to Roads.

In accordance with an arrangement with the owners entered into October 1881, new roads have been made through the properties on the Yang-king-pang Creek, belonging to Messrs. Reuben Sassoon, and Alex Cushny and the following names have been given to the roads.

The road from junction of the Hoopeh and Canton roads to the Sungkiang road to be called Hoopeh road. The road from the Fokien to the junction of the Hoopeh and Chekiang roads to be called Pakhoi road, and the part of the Hoopeh road between the Chekiang and Canton roads to be called Hoihow road.

Outside Roads.

Bubbling Well Road.—This road has been widened, and a side walk made for the whole distance between the Skew Bridge and Carters road, the Council having acquired for this purpose; a strip of Mr. Wheelock's property in the neighborhood measuring 1*m.* 3*f.* 0*l.* for the sum of Tls. 1,215 in which is included the cost of moving back walls and making a new fence, &c.

Land for Storing Road Material.—The rent of the 10 mow of land situated on the Defence Creek, and leased to the Council as a chip yard, has been raised to Tls. 500 per annum, in consequence of the increased value of land in that neighborhood.

Land for Depositing Garbage, &c.—The Council having been unable to find a piece of land suitable for depositing garbage, the Tls. 1,000 provided in the Budget have not been expended, but a similar amount has been again provided in the Budget for 1883 so that the incoming Council will be in a position to avail of any opportunity which may offer for securing any ground suitable for this purpose.

Repairing Roads opened by Water Works Company. The following letters give particulars of the arrangement made with the Water Works Company for the repairing of the roads opened by them in order to lay their pipes in the settlements.

Shanghai, 15th June, 1882.

Gentlemen.—I am directed to call your attention to the state of the roads which were opened by the Water Works Company for the purpose of laying their pipes, &c.

The trenches were filled in and the roads repaired after the pipes were laid, but since then, owing to the continuance of wet weather, they have sunk in many places forming depressions where the water lodges, which now require to be filled in and metalled.

The Council will be glad if you will kindly have this attended to at once, or if you prefer it, the Municipal Surveyor will have the work done, if the Water Works Company will pay the cost of material and labour.

I may mention that this is the arrangement with the Gas Company. When they require to open the roads, they fill in the trenches after their pipes are laid, and anything subsequently required is done by the Council, the Gas Company paying for the materials and labour.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Messrs. DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries,
Shanghai Water Works' Company.

Shanghai, 20th June, 1882.

DEAR SIR.—In reply to your favour of the 15th instant, calling our attention to repairs necessary to such portions of the roads of the Settlement as have been opened to lay the pipes of the Shanghai Water Works' Company, Limited, we have been directed to thank you for the offer you make, to repair the roads if we will pay for cost of labour and material, and to state that we shall be glad if the Municipal Surveyor will have the repairs attended to and collect the cost of so doing from us.

We are, dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries, Shanghai W.W. Co. L.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 5th September, 1882.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to our letter of the 20th June whereby we authorised you to instruct your surveyor to repair at the expense of the Water Works Company, Limited such Roads as in his opinion had not been left in a proper state by the Company, we were under the impression that you merely required the parts disturbed replaced in the same condition as they were before being opened for the purpose of laying the mains and pipes, viz: in as good order as the rest of the road.

We are however of opinion that in some cases where repairs have been lately made. The parts repaired were left by the Company in a state equally good to the rest of the road and that they have been put into much better order than they were before the Company touched them. As we think this is scarcely in accord with our agreement or your own ideas, we shall feel obliged of you will arrange that the Company is not put to any expense beyond what is necessary to make the parts of a Road out of order equal to its general character.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
DRYSDALE RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries, Changhai Water Works Co., Ld.

W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman of the Municipal Council Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, 31st October, 1882.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to our letter of the 20th June wherein we asked the Council to complete the repairs necessary to put the roads opened by the Water Works Company into proper order, and to debit the Company with the expense thereof, please note that the letter does not apply to roads opened under permits granted on and after the 30th ulto., as it is the duty of our Contractor to finish them to the satisfaction of your Surveyor.

We are, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
DRYSDALE RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries, Shanghai Water Works Co., Ld.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

BRIDGES.

The annexed correspondence refers to the new iron bridge to be placed across the Yang-king-pang at the end of the Kiangse road, for which provision was made in the budget.

As this bridge will not be completed for some time yet, and the old bridge was removed in November, the latter has in the meantime been replaced by a temporary foot bridge, so that the traffic might not be completely closed.

The cost of the foot bridge, which is only Tls. 188 has been paid by the two Councils and when the new iron bridge is completed and placed in position it will be removed and the material returned to the contractor in accordance with the arrangement made with him by the French Council.

Shanghai, 3 Juillet, 1882.

MONSIEUR.—J'ai l'honneur de vous remettre sans ce pli les plans d'un pont reliant le Kiangse road et la rue Petit proposé par Messrs. Farnham & Co. au prix de Tls. 3,750 aussi que la lettre adressée par Messrs. Farnham & Co. à M. H. Lester donnant le détail du prix et du travail proposé.

Je vous serai reconnaissant de vouloir bien soumettre ces documents à l'appreciation du "Municipal Council" et de me faire connaitre le resultate de sa déliberation à ce sujet.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée.

JAMES BONABEAU.

Monsieur R. F. THORBURN,
Secrétaire du "Municipal Council."

Shanghai, 31 Août, 1882.

MONSIEUR.—J'ai l'honneur de vous informer que j'ai soumis au Conseil dans sa séance du 30 courrant votre lettre du 1er Août ainsi que le plan du pont qu'elle renfermait.

Le Conseil accepte les modifications que vous proposez et a donné les ordres nécessaire pour que Messrs. Farnham & Co. entreprennent de suite la construction de ce pont.

Je vous prie de vouloir bien donner l'ordre à votre Ingénieur de s'entendre avec l'Ingénieur du Conseil au sujet de la construction des culées.

Veuillez agrées Monsieur le President, l'assurance de ma consideration la plus distinguée.

Le President,

E. G. VOUILLEMONT.

Monsieur le Président du Municipal Council.

Shanghaï le 30 Septembre, 1882.

MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT.—J'ai l'honneur de vous informer que le Conseil dans saséance du 25 Septembre a approuvé les modifications que vous aviez demandées pour le pont No. 3 et a donné l'ordre d'en faire commencer de suite la construction.

Toutefois, à la demande de la Compagnie des Eaux, il sera nécessaire que la conduite qui relie le coté nord au coté sud du Yang-king-pang passe sous les troittoirs du pont.

Le Conseil a donné son adhesion à cette disposition et je vous prie de me faire savoir si le "Municipal Council" n'y voit pas l'objection.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma consideration la plus distinguèe.

Le Président,

E. G. VOUILLEMONT.

Monsieur W. C. WARD,
Président du "Municipal Council."

Shanghai, 2nd October, 1882.

SIR.--I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 30th ultimo, and in reply, I beg to say that the Municipal Council have no objection to the Water Works' Company laying the main connecting the north and south sides of the Yang-king-pang under the side walk of the new bridge, about to be erected, leading from the Kiangse road to the Rue Petit.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

The following letter gives particulars of the arrangement made for a new foot bridge across the Yang-king-pang, between the Fokien and Shantung roads:—

Office of the China Merchants' S. N. Co.,

Shanghai, 5th June, 1882.

SIRS.—There is an old and apparently rotten foot-bridge across the Yang-king-pang, between the Shantung and Fohkien road.

I beg to ask whether the Councils will each give one hundred taels, if I give another one hundred taels, and have the said old bridge taken away, and a better one erected instead, across the Creek, about midway between the Fuhkien and Shantung roads.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
徐雨之

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, English Municipal Council,
and
J. BONABEAU, Esq.,
Secretary, French Municipal Council.

Two other foot bridges have also been placed across the Yang-king-pang by the owners of the properties in their neighborhood one to replace "Smiths bridge" to the east of Honan road, and the other between the Chekiang and Fokein roads:

Proposed Bridge across the Defence Creek.

Shanghai, December 1882.

Sir.—About the year 1860 the "Defence Committee" took over a portion of Lot 443, standing in the name of Messrs. Ashton and Jarvie, to form the "Defence Creek" for the protection of the Settlement.

The whole of the land so taken over was absorbed in the construction of the Creek still existing.

Formerly a stone road existed along the northern boundary of Messrs. Ashton and Jarvie's property, leading from Sinza village to the present Amoy road.

The Defence Committee in making the Creek omitted to form any provision to accommodate the occupants of the houses abutting on this old road. As long as the land in front remained unoccupied the want of an outlet was not felt, but recently the remainder of Lot 443 and Lot 382 adjoining have been let on lease for a term of years.

The Lessee has been interfered with by the residents along the old road, who have sought to establish a claim for a right of passage along the Defence Creek in lieu of the former means of access destroyed by the Defence Committee. The present owners of the lots in question have, however, never received any compensation for such a road, and have never permitted it to become a public thoroughfare.

Much inconvenience is caused to the occupants of the buildings along the old road referred to as the only entrance to it remaining is by a passage near the Sinza village, and they are certainly entitled to a restoration of the original right of way by the present Amoy road. The Municipal Council is now the only representative of the former Defence Committee, and has acceeded to all the advantages accruing from its actions.

It is therefore suggested that the present difficulty may be best met by the Council erecting in the place of that portion of the old road cut across by the Defence Creek a foot bridge to accommodate those who have suffered by the former action of the Defence Committee. Such a structure I may say could be put up for from Taels 200 to 250, and would be a general convenience.

Faithfully yours,

Thos. W. KINGSMILL,

For the Agents of the owners of Lots 443 and 382.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 30th December, 1882.

Sir.—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter suggesting that the Council should erect a foot bridge across the Defence Creek at the end of the Amoy road, and in reply, I am directed to say that the Council are not prepared to give orders for its construction, as they do not think that it it would be of much use to residents in the Settlement.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,

Secretary.

To Thos. W. KINGSMILL Esq.,
For the Agents of the owners of Lots 443 and 382.

Proposed New Bridge across the Soochow Creek.

Shanghai, 11th May, 1882.

Sir.—I understand that a strong feeling exists amongst those interested in property on both sides of the Soochow Creek, near the Gas Works, that a substantial bridge, suitable for carriage traffic, across the Soochow Creek at the extremity of the Thibet Road, would be desirable, not only for their own, but for the public benefit, and that they are willing to contribute a fair proportion, say one half, of the cost of such a bridge if the Council would undertake to construct it, I therefore write this to ascertain whether the Council will undertake the construction of the bridge if I succeed in obtaining contributions to the extent above mentioned.

In mentioning one half as a fair proportion, I assume that the cost will not exceed Tls. 6,000.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
A. MYBURGH.

To R. F, THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council, Shanghai.

Shanghai, 17th May 1882.

Sir— Since writing to you on the 11th instant, it has come to my knowledge that there are many more land-owners ready to contribute towards the cost of a bridge acorss the Soochow Creek at the point I mentioned than I was aware of, and that if my estimate of the cost is found to be too low, a much larger contribution than that stated by me could be obtained.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
A. MYBURGH.

To R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary to the Municipal Council,
Shanghai.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE SHANGHAI RECREATION GROUND.

SHANGHAI, 3rd January, 1883.

To the Municipal Council of the
Settlements North of the Yang-King-Pang.

GENTLEMEN,

The Committee are glad to report that the Garden continues to flourish although the increasing numbers by whom it is patronized point to the advisability of increasing the area as soon as an available opportunity can be found.

The roof of the Tool shed having ceased to be watertight, the Committee finding that the stock of bulbs which were kept there were in great danger from damp, have added a lean—to brick attachment at the back of No. 1 Greenhouse, which at present serves the double purpose of storing the spring bulbs during the summer, and as a refuge for some of the Ferns in winter.

There is however a manifest want of room for the proper display of the really fine collection of plants they now possess, which must have protection from the frosts, and cannot be properly seen if piled together as at present. The Committee think that the winter display of flowers they are now enabled to make, is a source of considerable enjoyment to the Community, and that the Glass houses they at present possess could not without disadvantage be diverted from their present purpose and they would therefore beg to ask the Council to find funds to build a special fern house in the reserve garden, in hopes of which, estimates have been asked for from an English Firm, as the Committee are of opinion that looking to the rapid deterioration of the wooden houses and the constant expense of repairs, it will be cheaper to have an Iron and Glass house which will require nothing more than paint for a series of years.

With regard to the enlargement of the Garden, the Committee have already suggested the taking in of the foreshore at the point, which is so rapidly making up as to leave little doubt that ere many years are over the River itself will have done the work up to High Water mark, but were met with the objection that the Native Authorities were not in

favor of narrowing the existing mouth of the creek. From inquiries lately made however they have reason to believe that if the Council will find the funds the permission will be granted, and it seems a pity that any opportunity of adding to the size of our recreation ground should be lost. The Committee therefore hope that the Council will take the matter into their serious consideration.

Through the kindness of Captain Yankowsky and Captain Mackie the Committee have acquired a large quantity of Ichang concretions, with which they have added another rockery to the attractions of the Garden.

They have also to thank Mr. G. Hopkins and Captain Symons for valuable contributions of Ferns and Plants, and Mr. John Wilson and Mr. Forbes for tree seeds, the result of which it is hoped will later on help to improve and beautify the settlement, as the seedlings when raised are removed to the nursery now established at the Cemetery, and are available in due course for the public roads.

The Garden houses have been put in order and the Garden implements are all in fair working repair. We have now a good stock of moveable iron chairs which are great convenience to the public.

The Committee will be glad if the Council will provide the usual grant for the maintenance of the Garden in the Budget.

The accounts for the past year are appended but call for no special remark.

The present Committee are Messrs. Rothwell, Welch and Corner who are willing to continue their services.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

GEO. R. CORNER,

Hon. Secretary.

EXPENDITURE ON THE SHANGHAI RECREATION GROUND FOR THE YEAR 1882.

Wages	$ 612.00		Tls. 450.41
Coolie hire and Sundries	202.62		147.91
Coals	68.70		50.15
Tools and Utensils	$ 137.80	Tls. 100.59	
		8.00	108.59
Plants and Seeds	$ 35.02	25.56	
		30.00	55.56
Buliding Bulb House			210.00
		Taels	1,022 62

Shanghai, 3rd January, 1883.

SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

SHANGHAI, *January 1st*, 1883.

TO THE WORKS' COMMITTEE,

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to hand you the report of the proceedings of this department for the year ended the 31st December, 1882.

BRIDGES.—An iron bridge is being constructed across the Yang-king-pang at the end of the Kiangse Road under the supervision of the French Municipal Council.

The Chefoo and Ningpo Road bridges have been replanked and thoroughly repaired.

The bridges over the Defence, Hongkew, Soochow and Yang-king-pang Creeks have been repainted and repaired from time to time as required.

BUILDINGS.—A District Police Station has been built in the Bing-vong-ka, midway between Foochow and Canton Roads, containing 3 dwelling rooms, etc., for Foreign Sergeant, 1 dwelling room with 10 bunks for Native Constables, 2 Cells, Charge Room, Kitchen and Servants' Offices. The yard in front of the Station has been raised, drained and turfed, the paths metalled, and roadway curbed and side-channelled.

The Bell Towers in the Central and Hongkew Police Stations have been repaired and painted.

Repairs as needed have been made to all the Municipal buildings.

BUNDINGS.—Small repairs have been made to the different bundings and iron railings.

CEMETERIES.—Two new sections K. and L., containing 324 and 257 graves respectively, have been laid out in the New Cemetery, turfed and drained; the paths bricked and sanded. Shrubs and trees are now being planted.

Repairs have been made to the tombstones in the New and Shantung Road Cemeteries where possible, and trees interfering with them cut down.

The New, Pootung, Shantung Road, and Soldiers' Cemeteries have been kept in good order, and also the Cathedral Compound.

The following statement shows the burials in the New and Pootung Cemeteries from 1st January to 31st December, 1882; as compared with preceding years:—

	1ST QUARTER. *Jan., Feb. & Mar.*					2ND QUARTER. *April May & June.*					3RD QUARTER. *July. Aug. & Sept.*					4TH QUARTER. *Oct., Nov. & Dec.*					Grand Total.
	Men.	Women.	Children. Male.	Children. Female.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children. Male.	Children. Female.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children. Male.	Children. Female.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children. Male.	Children. Female.	Total.	
1868	Commencing from 27th June.				...	1	...	...	...	1	4	2	2	1	9	5	...	...	...	5	15
1869	7	1	1	...	9	2	...	...	1	3	12	2	4	1	19	6	4	2	...	12	43
1870	4	...	1	2	7	5	1	...	...	6	3	2	3	1	9	5	2	...	1	8	30
1871	5	1	...	...	6	2	1	...	...	3	6	...	2	5	13	8	2	...	2	12	34
1872	3	1	...	...	4	6	1	...	1	8	11	...	1	...	12	5	1	...	1	7	31
1873	12	1	...	...	13	5	2	1	...	8	5	1	1	...	7	7	2	2	...	11	39
1874	9	1	2	...	12	3	...	3	...	6	14	5	1	4	24	10	...	3	1	14	56
1875	5	2	3	...	10	6	1	...	...	7	10	...	1	1	12	14	2	1	...	17	46
1876	7	...	1	3	11	12	...	1	1	14	18	2	1	1	22	14	1	2	..	17	64
1877	15	...	1	...	16	12	...	...	1	13	25	1	2	2	30	18	3	3	1	25	84
1878	14	1	...	...	15	13	2	2	1	18	29	1	2	5	37	18	4	4	...	26	96
1879	6	...	1	2	9	15	...	3	3	21	21	3	5	2	31	13	1	2	3	19	80
1880	10	1	1	...	12	13	2	2	...	17	10	2	1	2	15	17	3	2	1	23	67
1881	14	3	1	2	20	8	3	2	2	15	22	9	3	5	39	23	9	...	1	33	107
1882	11	2	1	...	14	13	2	2	5	22	17	4	5	1	27	18	7	3	2	30	93

Drainage.—A brick drain has been constructed in the Pekin Road, between Kiangse and Upper Yuen-ming-yuen Roads; in the Yunan Road, between Canton and Sungkiang Roads; and in the North Sze-chuen Road, between Tiendong and North Soochow Roads.

In conseqnence of the falling in of the old drain in the Honan Road, built several years ago by the late Mr. Smith, it has been necessary to rebuild that portion of the drain near the Sungkiang Road.

The drainage operations in the following roads are being rapidly proceeded with :—

Seward Road,—From Yuen-fong Road to Hongkew Creek.

Yuen-fong Road,—From Broadway to Seward Road.

Woosung Road,—North of Boone Road.

Hanbury Road,—From Woosung Road to Hongkew Creek.

Unnamed Road,—Parallel to Boone Road and west of Woosung Road.

Owing to the rapid silting of the foreshore the drain mouths to the Astor, Taiping, Kee-cheong, Yuen-fong, Chaou-foong and Kung-ping Roads have been frequently cleaned.

Several extra sinks have been built during the past year; the necessary alterations and repairs to the sinks and box drains made whenever desirable.

The following schedules shew where brick and pipe drains have been laid during the past year with the sizes, gradients, &c.

BRICK

Settlement.	Road.	Portion.	Length in feet.	Size.	Shape.
English	Honan	Near Sungkiang Road	60.0	5.0×3.0	Arcd. with flat bottom.
„	Pekin	From Kiangse to Upper Yuen-ming-yuen Road...	591.0	2.3×1.6	Egg
„	Yunnan.....	From Canton to Sungkiang Road	736.0	3.0×2.0	„
Hongkew	North Szechuen.	From Broadway to North Soochow Road	306.6	3.9×2.6	„
			1,693.6		

PIPE

Settlement.	Roads.	Portion.	12 inch.		9 inch.	
			Pipes.	Bends.	Pipes.	Bends.
English	Amoy	Near Defence Road	...	...	...	...
„	Chekiang ...	Between Ningpo and Pekin Roads	...	...	...	...
„	„ ...	Between Sungkiang and Hoihow Roads	...	...	...	...
„	Foochow ...	From near Chekiang to Defence Road.....	308	15	131	12
„	Honan	Corner of Hankow Road	...	...	...	...
„	Hoopeh.....	From Sungkiang to Hoihow Road	190	18	...	...
„	Kiangse ...	Corner of Ningpo Road.....	...	...	...	...
„	„ ...	Near Ningpo Road.....	...	...	...	...
„	„ ...	In front of Cathedral Compound	...	...	...	...
„	Kiukiang ...	Between Defence and Yunnan Roads	202	8	1	1
„	Lloyd	From Nankin to Chefoo Road	...	...	...	...
„	Nankin	Between Shantung and Fuhkien Roads.....	4	2	13	3
„	„	Between Lower Kwangse and Defence Roads	...	...	...	...
„	„	Near Yangtsze Road	...	...	...	...
„	Pakhoi	From Fuhkien to Chekiang Road	296	17	...	...
„	„	Between Yunnan and Defence Roads.....	241	9	11	1
„	Pekin	Retween Kiangse and Upper Yuen-ming-yuen Roads..	1	...	...	...
„	Shanse	Near Nankin Road.....	...	...	12	2
		Carried forward...	1,242	69	168	19

DRAINS.

Average Gradient.	Where Discharge.	Number of M.-holes.	Number of Sinks.	Plan.
1 in 552	Yang-king-pang	1	...	*D.* 11
1 „ 240	Kiangse and Szechuen Road Sewers.....	5	10	*D.* 34
1 „ 480	Yang-king-pang	7	14	*D.* 27
1 „ 200	Soochow Creek	5	4	*D.* 85
		18	28	

DRAINS.

6 inch. Pipes.	6 inch. Bends.	4 inch. Pipes.	Average Gradient.	Number of M.-hls.	Number of Sinks.	Where Discharge.	Plan.
9	1	...	240 to 480	...	...	Sink Connections	*D.* 130
22	1	6	„	...	...	„	„
19	...	5	„	...	...	„	„
130	...	...	„	2	17	Defence Creek.....	„
2	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
80	...	...	„	1	12	Yang-king-pang	„
7	1	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
10	...	...	„	...	...	„	„
5	2	...	„	...	...	„	„
56	3	...	„	2	8	Defence Creek.....	„
58	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
161	1	...	„	...	...	„	„
15	...	...	„	...	...	„	„
6	...	...	„	...	...	„	„
78	...	...	„	...	10	Chekiang and Fuhkien Road Drains...	„
95	...	...	„	...	...	Yunnan Road Drain	„
59	2	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
1	...	...	„	...	...	„	„
813	11	11		5	47		

PIPE

Settlement.	Roads.	Portion.	12 inch.		9 inch.	
			Pipes.	Bends.	Pipes.	Bends.
		Brought forward...	1242	69	168	19
English	Shantung ...	Corner of Hankow Road ...	...	...	...	...
„	Soochow ...	From Upper Yuen-ming-yuen to Szechuen Road	199	9	...	...
„	„ ...	From Szechuen to near Kiangse Road	162	5	...	...
„	Sungkiang-loong.	From Hoopeh to Chekiang Road	...	...	104	5
„	Szechuen	Near Pekin Road	...	...	...	...
„	Upper Kwangse.	Between Nankin and Ningpo Roads	7	1	256	11
„	„	Between Newchwang and Pekin Roads.....	...	3	159	5
„	Yangtsze.....	In front of P. & O. premises.	...	...	...	...
„	Yunnan... ..	Between Nankin and Swatow Roads	5	2	562	21
„	„	Between Chefoo and Ningpo Roads	2	1	191	6
„	Municipal Buildings.	Louza and District Police Station, Bing-yong-ka, &c.	...	...	35	8
Hongkew	Boone.....	Between Seward and Miller Roads	...	...	...	...
„	„	Between Chapoo and Woosung Roads.....	200	7	...	...
„	Dent	Between Broadway and Seward Road...	...	...	...	...
„	Hanbury	Between Woosung Road and Hongkew Creek.....	...	...	...	...
„	Hwa-kee ...	Between Broadway and Seward Road	...	...	...	...
„	Nanzing	Near Seward Road	...	...	...	...
„	North Honan.	Corner of Tiendong Road ...	...	...	...	...
„	North Szechuen.	Between Tiendong and North Soochow Roads	...	...	...	...
„	Seward	Near Chapoo Road.....	...	...	...	...
„	Tiendong	In front of Shanghai General Hospital.....	...	...	...	...
„	Woosung	Near Mr. Ashley's house	...	...	...	...
„	Yuen fong...	Between Broadway and Whangpoo River.....	...	...	...	...
„	„ ...	Between Broadway and Seward Road	...	...	...	...
„	Municipal Buildings.	Hongkew Police Station.....	...	...	...	8
„	Rifle Range.	.....	...	...	2	...
		Carried forward.....	1817	97	1477	83

DRAINS.

6 inch.		4 inch.	Average Gradient.	Number of		Where Discharge.	Plan.
Pipes.	Bends.	Pipes.		M.-hls.	Sinks.		
813	11	11		5	47		
3	...	...	240 to 480	...	...	Sink Connections	*D.* 130
78	...	...	„	...	...	Upper Yuen-ming-yuen Road Drain	„
50	...	...	„	...	...	Szechuen Road Drain.....	„
14	...	...	„	...	3	Hoopeh Road Drain	„
13	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
76	2	...	„	1	8	Nankin Road Drain	„
24	...	...	„	...	4	Chefoo Road Drain.....	„
...	...	5	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
141	...	...	„	3	16	Nankin, Kiukiang, Hankow, Soochow, and Swatow Road Drains	„
99	...	...	„	...	4	Newchwang Road	„
177	24	53	„	...	10	... ...	—
16	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	*D.* 131
75	...	...	„	1	8	Woosung Road Drain.....	„
24	...	...	„	...	...	Ditch.....	„
50	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
...	...	16	„	...	2	„	„
...	...	20	„	...	...	„	„
12	...	...	„	...	..	For Urinal.....	„
74	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
...	...	20	„	...	...	Ditch.....	„
...	...	...	„	...	1		
17	...	...	„	...	...	Woosung Road Drain.....	„
10	...	...	„	...	...	Sink Connections	„
20	...	...	„	...	...	„	„
...	...	10	„	...	...	„	„
20	...	...	„	...	...	Ditch.....	„
1806	37	135		10	103		

PIPE

Outside Roads.	Portion.	12 inch.		9 inch.	
		Pipes.	Bends.	Pipes.	Bends.
	Brought forward.....	1817	97	1477	83
Bubbling Well...	In front of Mr. Tottie's new houses	...	...	...	...
„ ...	Between Skew Bridge and Carter Road	...	...	...	...
„ ...	In front of Mr. Major's house	...	...	...	...
Jessfield	Near Soochow Creek	1	...	...	...
New Cemetery ...	Near Village, &c	22	...	...	...
Sic-ca-way.....	Near Hermitage.....	4	...	...	...
Sinza.....	Between Markham and Bubbling Well Roads	76	...	...	...
New Cemetery..	Draining Sections K. & L.....	...	...	...	...
		1920	97	1477	83

Total number of drain pipes

DRAINS.

6 inch.		4 inch.	Average Gradient.	Number of		Where Discharge.	Plan.
Pipes.	Bends.	Pipes.		M.-hls.	Sinks.		
1806	37	135		10	103		
19	...	...	240 to 480	...	...	Sink Connections	...
...	...	4	„	...	...	„	...
...	...	2	„	...	...	„	...
38	...	2	„	...	...	Soochow Creek	...
38	5	...	„	...	...	Ditch.....	...
...	...	...	„	...	...	Sic-ca-way Creek	...
21	...	...	„	...	...	Ditch.....	...
375	72	159	„	...	...	„	...
2,297	114	302		10	103		

laid : 6,290 or 12,580 *Feet.*

Fire Wells.—New covers have been made to the fire-wells in the Fuhkien, Shansi, Nankin, Foochow and Honan Roads.

The various fire-wells have been periodically examined and the depth of water ascertained and reported every month for the information of the Fire Department.

Foreshore.—The foreshore in front of the Yangtsze Road has been kept in order, the grass cut and weeded; and the wooden stanchions to the grass plats have been repaired and painted.

Lamps.—During the past year, thirty-five additional lamps, namely, twenty pillars and fifteen brackets have been put up in the undermentioned streets:—

	Lamps pillar	Lamps bracket.
Bing-vong-ka, between Foochow and Canton Roads ...	–	2
Boone Road, between Woosung and Chapoo Roads ...	–	1
Bun-tong-loong, between Shansi and Chihli Roads	–	3
Canton Road, corner of Chekiang Road	1	–
Chapoo Road, between Tiendong and Boone Roads ...	2	–
Chekiang Road, between Canton and Hankow Roads...	–	2
Defence Road, west of Swatow Road	1	–
Defence Road, between Hankow and Foochow Roads...	1	–
Foochow Road, corner of Yunnan Road.....	1	–
Hankow Road, between Lower Kwangse and Hoopeh Roads	–	2
Hoopeh Road, corner of Canton Road	–	1
Hoopeh Road, junction of Pak-hoi Road	1	–
Kiukiang Road, between Lower Kwangse and Chekiang Roads	–	1
Kung-ping Road, between Broadway and Whangpoo River	2	–
Lloyd Road, between Nankin and Ningpo Roads	1	–
Lower Kwangse Road, corners of Newchwang and Tientsin Roads	2	–
Nanzing Road, between Boone and Hanbury Roads ...	2	–
Pak-hoi Road, between Hoopeh and Fuhkien Roads ...	–	1
Upper Kwangse Road, corners of Tientsin (pillar) and Ningpo Roads (bracket)	1	1
Yunnan Road, between Hankow and Foochow Roads...	1	–
Yunnan Road, corners of Chefoo, Ningpo, Hankow, Swatow, and Canton Roads.....	5	–
	21	— 14

The total number of public lamps in the English and Hongkew Settlements and Outside Roads are as under:—

English Settlement	378
Public Garden	9
Hongkew Settlement	133
Bubbling Well Road	10
Total.....	530

All the pillars and brackets have been painted by the Shanghai Gas Company. Lamp brackets have been substituted where possible for pillars in order to afford more street room.

Landing Accommodation.—A new hardwood jetty has been constructed to the Hankow Road pontoon. Wooden steps have been fixed at the end of the Chapoo Road for the convenience of water coolies. The stone steps on the North Soochow Road, between North Kiangse and North Szechuen Roads have been repaired.

The Pekin, Nankin, Kiukiang, Foochow, Canton and Ming-hong Road iron pontoons have been painted inside and outside, and new wooden fenders fixed at each end of the pontoons.

Repairs have been made to the various jetties and landing stages in both settlements, and life chains stolen from the pontoons have been replaced.

Public Garden.—The lodges in the Public and Nursery Gardens have been repaired and coloured. The entrance gates and lamp pillars have been painted. Fifty additional garden chairs were placed in the Public Garden last Summer. The paths, slope and seats have been kept in order.

Rifle Butts.—The new iron target received from England has been fixed at the Butts and the old target repaired. A tramway for the moving iron target (running man) was laid down previous to the Autumn Competition. Repairs have been made to the Marker's house and range when necessary.

Roads.—The following roads have raised; chip-paved; curbed and side-channelled; and metalled:—

Raised.

Defence Road,—Between Chefoo Road and Soochow Creek.
Foochow Road,—Between Yunnan and Defence Roads.
Hankow Road,—Between Yunnan and Defence Roads.
Hwa-kee Road,—Between Broadway and Seward Road.
Swatow Road,—Between Lower Kwangse and Defence Roads.
Yuen-fong Road,—Between Broadway and Seward Road.

Chip-paved.

Chekiang Road,—Footpath from Chefoo to Ningpo Road.
Chekiang Road,—Footpath east side near Pekin Road.
Chihli Road,—Footpaths from Nankin to Kiukiang Road.
Hoi-how Road,—Footpath east side, from Pak-hoi to near Hoopeh Road.
Hoopeh Road,—From Hoi-how to Sungkiang Road.
Hoopeh Road,—Footpaths from Hankow to Hoi-how Road.
Lloyd Road,—Footpaths from Nankin to Chefoo Road.
Pak-hoi Road,—From Hoi-how to Fuhkien Road.
Pekin Road,—From Chekiang to Fuhkien Road.
Shantung Road,—Footpath near Hankow Road.
Sung-kiang-loong,—From Chekiang to Sungkiang Road.
Woo-chang Road,—From Broadway to Woosung Road.

Curbed and Side-Channelled.

Boone Road,—Small portion near Seward Road,
Chekiang Road,—From Ningpo to Pekin Road.
Hoopeh Road,—From Hoi-how to Sungkiang Road.
Hwa-kee Road,—South side near Broadway.
Lloyd Road,—From Nankin to Chefoo Road.
Lower Kwangse Road,—Side-channelled east side, near Foochow Road.
Nankin Road,—North side, from Upper Kwangse to Defence Road.
Nanzing Road,—From Whangpoo Road to Broadway.
Pak-hoi Road,—From Hoi-how to Fuhkien Road.
Sung-kiang-loong,—From Chekiang to Sungkiang Road.
Woo-chang Road,—From Broadway to Woosung Road.

METALLED.

Amoy Road,—From Upper Kwangse to Defence Road.
Chekiang Road,—From Amoy to Pekin Road.
Foochow Road,—From Honan to Shansi Road.
Foochow Road,—Footpaths, from Kiangse to Honan Road.
Hankow Road,—From Lower Kwangse to Defence Road.
Nankin Road,—From Honan to Shantung Road.
Nankin Road,—From Shansi to Fuhkien Road.
Ningpo Road,—From Chekiang to Upper Kwangse Road.
North Honan Road,—From Tiendong to North Soochow Road.
North Szechuen Road,—From Tiendong to North Soochow Road.
Pak-hoi Road,—From Lower Kwangse to Defence Road.
Pekin Road,—From Szechuen to Kiangse Road.
Tientsin Road,—From Upper Kwangse to Chekiang Road.
Upper Kwangse Road,—From Nankin to Newchwang Road.
Upper Kwangse Road,—From Pekin to Amoy Road.
Woo chang Road,—Between Broadway and Whangpoo Road.
Yangtsze Road,—Footpaths, from Canton to Sungkiang Road.

The roads, footpaths, chip-paving, curbs and side-channels have been kept in repair.

The following roads have been *widened* or *extended*:—

Broadway,—Extending 120 feet from Whangpoo Road, west side, surrendered by W. Saunders, Esq. during the tenure of his lease, which expires 31st December 1898, Area 0*m*. 0*f*. 4*l*. 5½*h*.

Foochow Road,—Between Szechuen and Kiangse Roads, north side. Property of B. D. Benjamin Esq., Lots 22D. and 1217. T.D. 23 and 1210, Area 0*m*. 1*f*. 0*l*. 2*h*.

Foochow Road,—Between Kiangse and Honan Roads, south side. Estate of the late S. D. Sassoon, Lots 26 and 26A. T. D. 66 and 75, Area 0*m*. 1*f*. 3*l*. 4*h*.

Kiangse Road,—Between Ningpo and Nankin Roads, east side. Property of C. Thorne Esq., Lot 36. T. D. 27, Area 0*m*. 3*f*. 8*l*. 6*h*.

Kiukiang Road,—Between Defence and Yunnan Roads. Altering line of road and widening same to 30 feet. Property of Dr. Little, Lot 327B. T.D. 91, Area 0*m*. 4*f*. 4*l*. 4*h*.

Nanzing Road,—Junction of Whangpoo Road, west side. Property of Chü-yu-chee Esq., T.D. (U.S.C.) 341, Area 0*m*. 1*f*. 2*l*. 3*h*.

Shantung Road,—Between Hankow and Foochow Roads, west side. Property of C. J. Bolton Esq., Lot 404. T.D. 397, Area 0*m*. 0*f*. 8*l*. 7*h*.

Szechuen Road,—Junction of Pekin Road, west side. Property of Mrs. Crampton, Lot 40. T.D. 15, Area 0*m*. 0*f*. 9*l*. 1*h*.

Szechuen Road,—Between Ningpo and Pekin Road, west side. Leased from R. Francis Esq. Agent for Mrs. Crampton, Lot 40. T.D. 15, Area 0*m*. 1*f*. 8*l*. 6½*h*.

Whangpoo Road,—Between Ming-hong and Nanzing Roads, north side. Property of Chü-yu-chee Esq., T.D. 341 (U.S.C.), Area 0*m*. 0*f*. 7*l*. 0*h*.

A new road has been made extending from Chekiang to Sungkiang Road and named the Pak-hoi Road; the portion of the Hoopeh Road, between Chekiang and Defence Roads is now called the Pak-hoi Road, and the other portion from Chekiang to near Canton Road the Hoi-how Road. The Hoopeh Road has been continued from Hoi-how to Sungkiang Road.

The Sung-kiang-loong has been diverted between the Chekiang and Hoopeh Roads.

A new road has been surrendered by Mr. Chü-yu-chee on the west side of Woosung Road, parallel to Boone Road, to meet the proposed Chapoo Road extension.

The table below will show the progress made in the extension, &c., of Roads, named in pages 111 and 112 of report for 1881 :—

2. The Taiwan Road, east to Shansi Road.	Not yet arranged, no opportunity offering.
3. Continuing Amoy Road in an easterly direction to join the Fuhkien Road.	Nothing further has been done.
4. Widening Kiukiang Road, between Hoopeh and Fuhkien Road.	Not yet arranged, no opportunity offering.
5. Widening and connecting Woosieh Road, with the Shansi and Fuhkien Roads.	ditto.

6. Connecting the Loong-zee-yuen Alley, from Nankin to Ningpo Road.	Not yet arranged, no opportunity offering.
7. Continuing the Yang-tsze-poo Road.	Nothing further has been done.
8. Roads to define boundaries of Hongkew.	ditto.
9. Widening Ningpo Road to 30 feet, between Shansi and Fuhkien Roads.	ditto.
10. Extension of Shantung Road, from Nankin to Ningpo Road.	Not yet arranged, no opportunity offering.
12. Yunnan Road continued from Ningpo to Amoy Road.	The Yunnan Road has been continued from Ningpo to Chefoo Road.
15. Road running parallel to and between Fuhkien and Shansi Roads, from Soochow Creek to Nankin Road.	Nothing further has been done.
16. Seward Road and two other Roads parallel to Broadway, from Hongkew Creek to Dent Road.	The Seward Road has been continued from the Hongkew Creek to the Kung-ping Road; no further action has been taken with reference to the other roads.
17. To continue in a northerly direction to Seward Road; the Tai-ping, Kee-cheong, Yuen-fong, Chaou-foong, and two other Roads.	The Yuen-fong Road has been continued from Broadway to Seward Road; the other roads are still in abeyance.

Trees.—The Contractor has replaced those trees planted last year which have died, with fresh ones, and has also transplanted trees from the New Cemetery and Central Police Station Yard to various roads.

Outside Roads.—The Bubbling Well Road has been widened near the Skew bridge in front of Mr. Wheelock's property; the culverts and bridge extended, and a new footpath formed between the bridge and Carter Road.

The east side of the Carter Road, from Bubbling Well to Sinza Road has been raised with mud, and also the sides of the Yang-tsze-poo Road, between the Broadway and Yang-tsze-poo Creek.

Three brick culverts have been constructed on the Sinza Road, between the Carter and Jessfield Roads, in place of rotten box drains.

The culvert on the Markham Road near the Shanghai Washing Company's premises damaged by high tides has been rebuilt, also the culvert on the Siccawai Road near the "Hermitage" from the same cause. Three chang of wooden bunding has been constructed on the Siccawai Road to prevent the road being washed away by the "Hermitage" Creek.

The north side of the Yang-tsze-poo Road near Birt's Wharf has been temporary drained.

Small bundings have been made to protect the drain pipes on the Sinza, Jessfield and Siccawai Roads.

The old Jessfield Road by side of Soochow Creek has been reclaimed, formed, drained, bricked and sanded.

The railings of the different bridges and culverts have been painted.

The Bubbling Well, Jessfield, Sinza, Markham, Carter, New Cemetery, Siccawai and Yang-tsze-poo Roads have been metalled or repaired from time to time as required.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

C. B. CLARK,

Surveyor.

To W. C. WARD, Esq.

R. A. GUBBAY, Esq,

G. JAMES MORRISON, Esq.

GENERAL.

COURT OF CONSULS.

In January last the Council were informed by the Senior Consul that the members of the Consular body had delegated the Consular representatives of Great Britain, Germany and the United States to act as Judges in the Court of Consuls for the year 1882, and the following are the Rules of Procedure which have been agreed on by the Court.

Rule 1.

Every petition and other pleading filed in the Court and all notices and other documents issuing from the Court shall be entitled "In the Court of Consuls."

Rule 2.

The Court will appoint a Secretary whose name and address will be public and who shall hold the office uutil the Court otherwise directs. The Secretary shall have charge of all records and under the direction of the Court issue and serve or cause to be served all notices and other documents. He shall also be the medium of all correspondence.

Rule 3.

Suits shall be commenced and proceded with in person or by attorney and suitors may be heard with or without Counsel.

Rule 4.

The language of the Court will be English.

Rule 5.

All proceedings shall be commenced by a petition to the Court, to be filed in quadruplicate and to state all facts material to the issue in distinct paragraphs.

Rule 6.

The petition will be served upon defendant with notice to file an answer in quadruplicate within fourteen days from the date of service. A copy of the answer will be served on the plaintiff or his Counsel under the direction of the Court.

RULE 7.

Amendments and other proper pleadings will be admitted upon such terms as the Court may impose and such interim orders may be made prior to the hearing of the cause as the Court may consider necessary.

RULE 8.

When it appears to the Court that a cause is ready to be heard such cause will be set down for hearing and notice of the date and place of hearing will be given to the parties.

RULE 9.

Sittings of the Court will be public and its proceedings recorded by the Secretary.

RULE 10.

The onus of producing witnesses shall be with the parties but the Court will as far as practicable aid in procuring the attendance of witnesses. Evidence will be taken on oath or otherwise as the witness may consider binding. The examination of witnesses will be conducted as the Court may direct.

RULE 11.

A failure to respond to any order or notice issued by the Court will entitle the adverse party to judgment by default and the Court shall be empowered to give judgment accordingly.

RULE 12.

In any case upon application within sixty days after judgment the Court may order a re-hearing upon such terms as seem just.

RULE 13.

Special cases where the facts are admitted may be submitted in writing to the Court for decision without appearance of the parties.

RULE 14.

A minute of all orders shall be drawn up and shall be signed by the Consuls forming the Court or a majority of them and all orders shall be expressed to be made "By the Court" and shall be signed by the Secretary.

RULE 15.

Judgments will be given in writing signed by the Judges of the Court and either read in Court after notice or served upon the parties.

RULE 16.

The fee shall be for hearing $10—for each notice issued and served $3—and such fees for recording the proceedings shall be allowed as the Court may direct. A deposit in such sum as the Conrt may think sufficient to secure payment of fees will be required of each petitioner. The costs including those of Counsel in the discretion of the Court shall be paid as the Court directs.

RULE 17.

All fees shall be at the disposal of the Court for the remuneration of the Secretary.

GOVERNMENT GROUND RENT ON ROADS.

On the 3rd April, the Senior Consul forwarded to the Council translation of a despatch which he had received from the Intendant of Circuit stating that the Tepaous of certain districts had represented to him that they were unable to collect the ground rent upon about 750 mow of land in the settlement "as this quantity is not entered in the land list, or the names of the owners registered, consequently there is no way of ascertaining from whom to collect the taxes."

The Tepaous also stated that the rent on the land leased to the Municipal Council for public roads, Cemeteries, &c. had not been paid since 1872, the intendant therefore requested the Senior Consul to issue instructions to the Council "to make payment without delay of the annual taxes for past years, on land used for roads in accordance with the regulations."

In reply the Council directed attention to the fact that in the original Regulations of 1845 provision was made for the supersession of Government roads which pay no taxes, by wider roads for the accommodation of residents in the settlement, further that the area in most title deeds includes half the roads, and that in these cases the ground rent is, and always has been paid by the registered owner.

The Council also reminded the Senior Consul that in 1873 the whole subject was carefully investigated by a Committee of the Consular Body consisting of Messrs. Lueder, Medhurst and Schlick, the result of which was, that the Board of Consuls decided to refer the matter to the Foreign Ministers at Pekin with the view of procuring the assent of the

Chinese Government to the principle that all public roads should be exempt from taxation.

The Council therefore suggested that before any further steps were taken, reference should be made to Pekin in order to ascertain if the Ministers had done anything towards having the question settled.

In reply the following letter and inclosure were received from the Senior Consul, and since then nothing further has been done.

Shanghai, 18th November, 1882,

SIR.—In the matter of taxation on Municipal roads to which last referred your letter to Mr. Denny of June the 6th a.c., a Committee, consisting of Messrs. Hughes and Cheshire, the Consular Representatives of Great Britain and the United States respectively, had been appointed in order to examine into and report about the preceding action of the Consular Body and the course now to be taken.

The Committee's Report having been adopted by the Consular Body, I am authorized to hand you enclosed a copy of same for the information of the Council.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
FOCKE,
His German Majesty's Consul-General and Senior Consul.

To W. C. WARD Esq.,
Chairman, Shanghai Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 10th November, 1882.

SIR.—Having been requested at the Meeting held on 12th October to examine into and report about the preceding action of the Consular Body in the matter of taxation on Municipal roads, and about the course now to be adopted, we have the honour to communicate the result of our enquiries.

By Municipal roads we assume are meant roads which, whether the property of the Municipality or not, are kept in order by the Municipal Council, some of these roads or streets are within and others without the Settlements.

There does not seem to have been formerly any question before the Consular Body as to the taxation of the streets or roads within the Settlements. The land required for their construction appears to have been surrendered by the proprietors of adjoining lots, and it was considered that these proprietors are responsible under the Land Regulations for the payment of the Government tax or ground rent.

At a meeting of the Consular Body in 1873 Messrs. Medhurst, Schlick and Lueder were appointed a Committee to report on the subject of arrears of taxes alleged to be due on three public roads outside the limits of the foreign Settlements. In their Report they mentioned that the Consular Body had decided in 1871 "to ask the Ministers to procure the assent of the Imperial Government to the principle of exemption [of public roads] from taxation." The Committee therefore suggested

that the Consuls should ascertain from their respective Legations whether any reference of the question had been made to the Peking Government, and if so, what had been the result.

They also suggested that the Senior Consul should ascertain from the Taotai, whether, as promised in 1869, the question had been laid before the Viceroy. It would appear that the Taotai then in Shanghai had pledged himself to represent the matter for the consideration of the Viceroy "who he thought was certain to return a favourable response." (Vide Memorandum by Mr., now Sir W. Medhurst, Appendix O., Municipal Report of 1871.)

Nothing, however, has, up to this date, been heard on the subject so far as we know from the Legations at Peking or from the Viceroy at Nanking.

Such in brief is the history so far as we can ascertain of the preceding action of the Consular Body.

With regard to the course now to be adopted, we are inclined to follow in our predecessor's footsteps and recommend that as to roads or streets within the Settlement, the *status quo* be maintained. It might be in some respects convenient if all the ground now used for streets in the Settlements were formally vested in the Municipal Council on such terms as might be arranged between them and the Chinese authorities. We fear, however, that a proposal of this nature might meet with opposition from the owners of land in some instances, and possibly also from the Chinese authorities, and we are therefore inclined to think that until some better arrangement can be made, the proprietors of land within the Settlement must remain responsible for payment of the Government Land Tax on such portion of their property as has been given up for streets to the Municipality.

With regard to roads outside the Settlements, some are held under title deed, as the Bubbling Well Road, and we presume the payment of a fixed ground rent is stipulated; some are held by arrangement with the Chinese authorities, as the Yangtzse-poo road, and no ground rent agreed upon. Some roads have been formed for military purposes during the rebellion, and of others the history is unknown. Some roads, are almost exclusively used by Chinese, and there are none of them where the Chinese traffic, both carriage and pedestrian, does not vastly exceed foreign traffic.

We think the best course would be to induce the Chinese authorities to issue a title deed to the Municipal Council for all the outer roads, and to place them on the same footing as Chinese public roads, that is, exempt them entirely from taxation. If, however, the Chinese insist upon regarding these roads as the private property of foreigners, then we think the title deed might provide that on all roads under care of the MunicipalCouucil outside the Settlement, whether heretofore exempt from taxation or not, a ground rent should be payable to the Chinese Goverment equal to that paid by the native proprietors of the adjoining lands.

We have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) P. J. HUGHES,
" F. D. CHESHIRE.

DR. FOCKE,
His Imperial German Majesty's Consul,
Senior Consul.

New Municipal Regulations and By Laws.

The following letter from the Senior Consul was received in April last.

United States Consulate-General,
Shanghai, 22nd April, 1882.

Sir.—I have the honour to hand you herewith, for the information of the members of the Council, a copy of the proposed new Land Regulations for the Foreign Settlements of Shanghai, as revised and amended by the Diplomatic Representatives at Peking, together with the following suggestions which the foreign Ministers have agreed to make to the Ratepayers of Shanghai, to wit :

"That Article II be so modified as to lower the pecuniary limits therein named as qualifying persons to become members of the Municipal Body."

"That in view of the largely increased population of the foreign settlements at Shanghai, Article V should be so modified that the Municipal Councipal shall consist of not less than nine, nor more than fifteen persons, and that the pecuniary qualification for a Municipal Councillor should be lessened to Tls. 5,000 and Tls. 500 instead of the present limit."

"That a By-law be adopted requiring tenders by public advertisement for all public purchases or works exceeding in amount a certain specified sum."

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
O. N. DENNY,
Consul General.

TO W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman, Municipal Council.

The regulations as altered and amended were printed and circulated amongst the ratepayers, and the members of the Committee who drew up the new regulations in 1880 and who were still in Shanghai were requested to consider the proposed alterations, and to report on them to the Council.

The members having agreed to act; at their suggestion Messrs. Gultzow and Roustan were invited to join them, and a Committee consisting of Messrs. Gultzow, How, Kingsmill, Morrison Myburgh, Roustan, Wainewright and Wetmore was formed, whose report on the amended regulations and by laws has been circulated amongst the ratepayers.

Shanghai 29th Dec., 1882.

Sir,—I beg to hand you herewith the "Report of the Committee appointed by the Municipal Council to consider and report upon the alterations suggested by the Foreign Ministers at Peking to the proposed new Code of Municipal Regulations and By-laws."

It should have been expressly stated in the report, perhaps that the Committee concur in the altertions suggested for By-laws LXX, LXXII and LXXVI.

With regard to the articles relating to the Volunteers LXXXVIII to XC inclusive as the Ministers have omitted them entirely, the Committee consider it would be inexpedient to press for their adoption.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,

Your obediently,

W. S. WETMORE,

Chairman.

W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman of the Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 11th January, 1883.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 29th December, along with the Report of the Committee appointed by the Municipal Council to consider and report upon the alterations suggested by the Foreign Ministers at Peking to the proposed new Code of Municipal Regulations and By-Laws.

I observe that in addition to the printed Report the Committee concur in the alterations suggested for By-laws LXX; LXXII, and LXXVI, and that they deem it inexpedient to press for the adoption of By-laws LXXXVIII to XC.

On behalf of the Council I have to tender their best thanks to the members of the Committee for the very able report which they have drawn up, and which has been ordered to be printed and circulated amongst the ratepayers.

The Council proposed to bring forward at the Annual Meeting a resolution asking the ratepayers to approve of the Report and the alterations in the Regulations and By-Laws suggested by the Committee, after which they will be sent to Peking for approval and confirmation by the Foreign Ministers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. C. WARD,

Chairman.

TO W. S. WETMORE, Esq.,
Chairman of Committee appointed
to consider, &c., &c., &c.

SURVEY OF HONGKEW.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Wainewright seconded by Mr. Brand and passed by the Ratepayers at the Annual meeting.

"That the Council are requested to take the necessary steps to have a correct and complete plan of the so-called Hongkew district of Shanghai prepared and published for public use."

In compliance with the terms of the above resolution the Council took an early apportunity of considering what steps should be taken in order to have a complete survey made of Hongkew. Two courses seemed open to them either to employ outside professional assistance, paying a fixed sum for the work, or to engage some properly qualified person as assistant Surveyor at an annual salary, and to entrust him with making the survey

After due consideration the latter course was decided on, and in March last applications for the post were invited by advertisement in the local papers. Sixteen applications were received and considered, and eventually Mr. L. O. Jurgens was appointed assistant surveyor at a salary of Tls. 200 per month, for the purpose of carrying out the Survey, with which he has already made considerable progress.

Education.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Kingsmill at the Annual meeting aud seconded by Mr. Buchanan.

Resolution IX.—That a Committee of five Ratepayers be elected, who shall be empowered to investigate the whole subject of education generally in the Settlements, and that a grant not exceeding Tls. 2,500 out of Municipal Revenue be placed in their hands, and that they be authorized to make allowances from said grant in aid of the education of those classes of the Community whose means are insufficient for that purpose.

Mr. Balfour then proposed as an amendment which was seconded by the Rev. Dr. Farnham that the last clause of the resolution should read as follows "and that the Committee be authorized to make allowances from the said grant in aid of such scholastic institutions as may be in temporary need of funds" Mr. Ward then "proposed that the whole words in the resolution after the word "settlements" be omitted," which amendment was seconded by Mr. Bridge, and finally the resolution altered as follows was put to the meeting and carried by a show of hands.

Resolution IX.—That a Committee of five Ratepayers be elected, who shall be empowered to investigate the whole subject of education generally in the Settlements, who are requested to report to a subsequent Meeting of Ratepayers. That Messrs. H. S. Morris, J. Buchanan, W. S. Wetmore, A. J. Little, and T. W. Kingsmill be appointed to act as the Committee.

The very able and exhaustive report drawn up by the Committee was forwarded to the Council on the 30th December, by their Hony Secretary Mr. A. J. Little, and was immediately printed and circulated amongst the ratepayers.

SHANGHAI, 29th December, 1882.

SIR,—The Committee appointed by the Ratepayers to enquire into the condition of foreign education in these Settlements have completed their investigation and drawn up their Report, a copy of which I have the honour to submit herewith.

The Council will note that the acceptance of Mr. Hanbury's gift of the Eurasian School is in abeyance, and that a speedy decision on the point is required by the Trustees in order to enable them to furnish Mr. Hanbury with a reply to his letter of 7th July last, copy of which will be found in the Appendix No. 7.

I will also thank you to communicate with the *North-China Herald* office, to whom the Committee have entrusted the printing of their Report, and to notify the office of the number of copies required and of the mode in which the Council desire the publicatiou to be made.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
ARCHD. J. LITTLE,
Hon. Secretary Education Committee.

To R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 11th January, 1883.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 29th December, handing me a copy of the Report by the Committee appointed by the ratepayers to enquire into the condition of foreign education in these Settlements, which have been submitted to the Council, and I am requested by them to thank the members of the Committee for the very full and exhaustive report which they have drawn up.

The Council quite approve of the recommendations made by the Committee with regard to the Eurasian School, and they propose to bring forward at the annual meeting a resolution asking the ratepayers to authorize the Municipal Council to take over the school and ground on the terms and conditions named by Mr. Hanbury, and to sanction the payment of the sum of Tls. 2,500 for salaries of masters, passages out, and extra accommodation, as suggested by the Committee, for which provision will be made in the Budget for 1883.

They will also provide Tls. 1,000 as a contribution towards the Orphanage attached to the St. Joseph's Institution, and for this the approval of the ratepayers will also be asked.

The Council do not propose to recommend to the ratepayers that any contribution should be made to the Anglo-Chinese School in this Settlement.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To ARCHD. J. LITTLE, Esq.,
Hon. Secretary Education Committee.

Orphanage French Concession.

In compliance with a recommendation from the Council for 1881 the Ratepayers at the Annual Meeting authorized the grant of Tls. 1,000 as a donation towards the funds of this institution, provision for which was made in the Budget.

The following is the correspondence on the subject.

Sir,—You have perhaps heard of the existence of our Orphan's Institute since the beginning, a few years ago—it is increasing, and we are arrived now to the number of thirty girls received absolutely gratis.

In consequence we have been obliged to enlarge our establishment, and we have succeeded in building a very large house adapted to our present and even to future and more vast requirements.

But now we are in want of money, and so we are compelled to search some charitable assistance from those who may understand our work and the social benefit that can be derived from it.

We receive any girl of any religion or condition as soon as she is without parents and assistance, and therefore exposed, as generally is the case, to lose her virtue and honour.

Well, Sir, I come to request, by your benevolent intercession, the honourable Municipal Council to be so kind as to examine seriously the importance of our charitable work, and understanding the importance of the awkward situation in which we are now, I most confidently hope that an extraordinary and efficacious subsidy shall be granted to us.

Our poor children will join with us in praying God to bless sevenfold our good benefactors.

I am, Sir,

Yours truly,

Marie de St. Dominique.

To the President of the Municipal Council.

Sir,—After having received such a handsome proof of the benevolence of your Council in favor of our orphanage, it is a duty for me to express you the profound sense of our gratitude.

What greatly increases our thankfulness for your charity, is the opposition and trials the Council has encountered on our behalf, and nevertheless you have persevered in considering our work as a useful one for all, and worthy of your sympathy and approval.

We thank you very much, and we will do our best to show you at every occasion that your charity has been usefully granted.

I remain, Sir,

Yours truly,

Marie de St. Dominique. s. a.

To the President of the Municipal Council.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE PUBLIC BAND.

In presenting their report upon the working of the Band during the last twelve months, your Committee may mention that immediately after the last Ratepayers' meeting Mr. H. R. Hearn resigned his seat at the Board. At the invitation of the other members, Mr. Geo. R. Corner joined the Committee which has since been augmented by the return of Mr. E. G. Vouillemont from Europe, and now consists of Messrs. W. C. Ward, Chairman, P. Brunat, Geo. R. Corner, H. S. Morris, A. Nachtrieb, J. L. Scott, and E. G. Vouillemont.

A few words will suffice to convey a knowledge of the present status and standard of efficiency of the Band.

At the commencement of the year, the Band was composed of 21 musicians in addition to the Bandmaster, their agreements terminating, in the case of the musicians on 12th August 1882, and in that of Mr. Vela, on the 15th May 1882. The capabilities of the men as musicians and their behaviour so far being satisfactory, it was considered expedient to renew their agreements if possible for two years, and with the kind assistance of the Spanish Consul this has been effected (with the exception noted later) and the musicians are now engaged to serve the Council until 30th September 1884. Two men, however, preferred to leave, and took their discharge, and as it was absolutely necessary to replace them, they being respectively first clarinette and the piccolo players, as well as advisable to procure two more clarinette players to render the Band complete, the Committee dispatched to Manila on 12th July the senior Manilaman of the Band, with instructions to obtain the necessary musicians. This step was not determined upon, however, until all endeavours to procure the men required through agents in Manila had entirely failed. After very considerable trouble, delay and expense, good men were at last found willing to engage for Shanghai, and the party left for Hongkong, but another vexatious interference in the shape of quarantine, stopped their further progress at this latter place, and delayed their arrival here another three or four weeks.

The Band, now composed of 24 musicians and the Bandmaster, may be considered complete, and the Committee feel sure that the Community

will testify in the coming spring that the results achieved have justified the labour and expense devoted to it. The estimates for the year have been exceeded, but as said above, the Band has been increased in size and power beyond the original intention, the Committee considering that they would best interpret the wishes of the Community in the matter, by not withholding a little additional outlay in order to put together a full and complete Band. Necessary expense has been also incurred in procuring stringed instruments etc. for an orchestra, and though only a few months have elapsed since the men commenced to learn these new instruments, the public have had an opportunity of forming an opinion of their merits after such a brief period of tuition. Mr. Vela daily devotes a considerable portion of his time to their instruction, and the Committee have every confidence in his assurances that by next autumn he will be able to produce a very effective orchestra. At the present moment the violoncello player is hardly far enough advanced to play in public, and the Double Bass, ordered from Europe, is not yet arrived.

The Committee have made a fresh agreement with Mr. Vela for one year, from 15th May last.

The Earnings of the Band have nearly doubled the figures estimated by the Committee at commencement of the year, having reached the sum of Tls. 1918.89. This is very satisfactory, but for obvious reasons it would be unwise to calculate on such an amount for next year, circumstances having combined to render peculiarly fortunate the one just elapsed.

Annexed the Committee beg to submit their accounts for 1882, and an estimate of Expenditure and Income for 1883; also a short report by the Bandmaster.

Shanghai, 31 December, 1882.

Rapport au Town Band Comité:

Messieurs:

J'ai l'honneur d'informer le Comité de la Bande, de la situation dans la quelle elle se trouve aujourd'hui, ainsi que de mon travail pendant l'année que finisse. La Bande, en continuant toujours les études et répétitions nécessaires, compte aujourd'hui avec un brillant répertoire de la musique la plus choisie.

J'ai commencé de même, à former une Orchestre, composée seulement dans ce moment des Violons.

Le Comité a pu apprécier du résultat de cette Orchestre que j'ai fait jouer dernièrement au Lyceum Theatre. Deux, de six musiciens qui jouent le Violon, vont practiquer l'Alto, et un autre le Violoncello, au commencement de l'année prochaine.

J'ai comandé par ordre du Comité un Contrebasse en Italie. Aussitôt que j'aurai cet instrument, un autre individu de la Bande sera chargé de l'étudier, et l'Orchestre sera completée. Il y a un autre qui étudie le Piano et la Flute et je suis satisfait des progrés q'il a fait dans les deux instruments. Ci jointe est la note des instruments et musique, propriéte du Conseil Municipal.

En croyant avoir rempli mon devoir, je prie les Messieurs du Comitè de la Bande d'agréer les assurances de ma considération la plus distinguée.

MELCHOR VELA.

Note des Instruments propriété du Conseil Municipal.

Petite Clarinet in M. bemol	1
Clarinet in Si bemol	4
Kliscorno (Piston)	2
Sacsones (Cor.)	2
Trombons	2
Bombardino	1
Baritono	1
Piston in Si bemol	1
Piano	1
Violons	6
Alto	2
Violoncello	1
Légies ou Pupitres pour la Musique, avec des couvertures	19
Archets pour les Violons	12
Do. pour Alto	2
Do. pour Violoncello	1
Tambour	1
Grande Caisse	1
Caisses pour Violons	6
Do. pour Alto	2
Do. pour Violoncello	1
Totál	69

EXPENDITURE FOR 1882.

Pay of Bandmaster	Tls.	1,575.00
„ „ Musicians	„	4,416.53
Exps. obtaining new Musicians from Manila, advances etc., and passages home of those discharged	„	611.93
New Instruments and repairs to old	„	286.52
Repairing and tuning Piano	„	24.78
Furniture, Bedding, &c.	„	29.86
Uniforms Summer and Winter	„	119.66
Registration fees of men	„	29.52
Hire of Instruments from Recreation Fund	„	100.00
19 New Brass Music Stands	„	150.00
Rent of Building for practicing	„	215.43
Music paper, and copying music	„	37.86
New Music and Books of Instruction	„	84.19
Wages of Coolie in Band practice room	„	30.66
Coolie and Carriage hire	„	137.10
Advertising, Printing and Stationery	„	135.79
Medical Attendance, Medicines and Hospital charges.	„	121,36
Exps. at Concert French Hall and Masonic Hall	„	17.13
Extra pay to Musicians for private performances	„	698.76
Pay of Secretary	„	150.00
Coals, Taxes and Sundries	„	20.63
		8.992.71
French Council's appropriation for 1881 and 1882 Tls. 2,000 00		
Receipts for the services of the Band „ 1,918.89		3,918.89
	Tls.	5,073.82

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Bandmaster	Tls.	1,800.00
Musicians $7,000	„	5,110.00
Rent of house for practice	„	300.00
Recreation Fund for hire of Instruments	„	100.00
New Instruments and repairs to old	„	100.00
New Music	„	100.00
Uniforms Summer and Winter	„	100.00
Coolie and Carriage hire	„	100.00
Advertising, Printing and Stationery	„	100.00
Extra pay to Musicians for private performances	„	400.00
Pay of Secretary	„	150.00
Coals, Taxes, Sundries	„	140.00
		8,500.00
French Council appropriation Tls. 1,000		
For Services of Band „ 1,500		2,500.00
	Tls.	6,000.00

E. A. FABRIS,
Secretary.

W. C. WARD,
Chairman Sub-Committee.

SHANGHAI, 1*st January*, 1883.

Public Market.

At the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers the following resolution was proposed by Mr. Drummond, seconded by Mr. Wetmore and carried by a large majority.

"The Municipal Council are requested to take as soon as possible the necessary steps for the erection of a public Market for Shanghai, and are hereby authorized to raise by Debentures a sum not exceeding Tls. 50,000 for this purpose."

In bringing forward this resolution Mr. Drummond mentioned the probable cost of, and the different styles of market which had been suggested to him as required for Shanghai, and the available lots of land which were considered suitable sites for it, but eventually the ratepayers decided that the construction of the market, and the selection of a site for it, should be left in the hands of the Council.

These matters had the early attention of the Council, and the Works Committee were requested at their first meeting to take into consideration the whole question of the public market and to report to the Council, more particularly with regard to the site as some ratepayers were in favour of the vacant land adjoining the Central Station being utilized for this purpose, whilst others were opposed to it.

The Works Committee reported that they were unanimously opposed to the suggestion that the market should be erected on the vacant land within the Municipal compound at the junction of the Foochow and Honan roads, and recommended the Council to advertise, inviting tenders of land suitable for the purpose, which was done.

Most of the land in the settlement being already covered with buildings, not many lots were available, and in reply to their advertisement only 5 tenders were received; none of the lots offered however, were in the opinion of the Council particularly well suited for the market, but keeping in view the decision of the ratepayers that a public market should be constructed, they selected the least objectionable lot and purchased from Mr. S. Daly for the sum of Tls. 25,000, Lot 1,305 measuring 7*m*. 5*f*. 5*l*. 6*h*. bounded on the North by the Maloo, South by the Kiukiang road, and East and West by the lower and upper Quangsee roads.

Having acquired a site; the construction of the market became the next subject for consideration, and as a preliminary step the Council advertised for designs for it, requiring competitors to send in block plans

and general drawings sufficiently detailed to shew the external outline and appearance of the intended building and the proposed internal arrangements thereof, together with such specifications that estimates of the cost can be obtained from contractors.

These designs &c. will be received till 15th January 1883, and shall be submitted to the ratepayers for approval, before any further steps are taken towards the construction of the market.

The present Maloo market is almost enclusively for the supply of Natives and according to a return prepared by the Superintendent of Police in March last, there are on an average each morning 484 Stalls for the sale of Poultry, fish, eggs, vegetables &c., and from 150 to 200 hawkers who go about selling vegetables.

In the Honan road market, there are 160 Stalls, and generally about 100 hawkers of vegetables.

The Shipping, Hotels, Club, and nearly all the foreign hongs in the settlement get their supplies from Smiths' market.

The principal market for the supply of residents in Hongkew is held in the Tiendong road.

Public Slaughter Houses.

At the Annual Meeting of Ratepayers held in May 1873 attention was directed to the great want of a Public Slaughter House to which it would be made compulsory to bring all animals to be killed which were intended for the supply of the markets in the Settlement.

A resolution was then proposed and carried authorizing the Council to raise by Debentures the sum of Tls. 5000 for the purchase of a piece of land, and the erection on it, of a Public Slaughter House, but partly owing to the difficulty experienced in finding a suitable piece of land, and partly because it was very doubtful whether the native butchers could be prevented from having their animals slaughtered outside the Settlement and then bringing in the carcases for sale, nothing further was then done.

In 1874 and 1875 the subject was again brought forward, and an attempt was made to purchase a piece of ground near the gas works, but to this the Taoutai objected, recommending that the neighborhood of Pah Sien Jao should be selected for a site "if the Municipal Council insist upon building another Slaughter House" and since then no further steps have been taken towards carrying out the resolution.

In December last the French Council intimated that they proposed expending the sum of Tls. 7000 to 8000 in acquiring a site, and constructing a Public Slaughter House at the west end of the Rue-du Consulat within the limits of the Concession provided that the Municipal Council would coöperate with them by insisting upon all the butchers in the settlements north of the Yang-king-pang, sending their cattle to be killed there.

According to a report drawn up by the Inspector of markets there are now 11 Slaughter houses at Pah Sien Jao, and 5 on the west bank of the Hongkew Creek, which are kept in a filthy state, but as all are situated outside the settlement, and not under Municipal control, cleanliness cannot be insisted on.

The Inspector adds that all the butchers will naturally object to pay any fees for having their animals slaughtered as this costs them nothing at present, and that the Hongkew butchers will never agree to send their animals to Slaughter houses on the French Concession, he therefore thinks that there should he two Slaughter houses one for the English Settlement, and one for Hongkew, and that the fees charged should be very small indeed.

The following is the correspondence with the French Council on the subject, but nothing as yet has been decided on.

SHANGHAI, 19th December, 1882.

SIR,—I shall feel obliged if you will furnish me for the information of the Council, with some details about the slaughter houses which the French Council propose building in the neighbourhood of Pah-sin-jao.

Before coming under any obligation to take such steps as may be necessary in order to compel the native butchers to have all the meat intended for the supply of the Settlements north of the Yang-king-pang and the shipping, killed at the slaughter houses, the Council wish to know how they are to be managed.

Is it intended to fix the fee which is to be charged for the slaughter of each animal, or are the houses to be let out to certain persons who shall pay a license fee to the Council and be allowed to make their own arrangements with the butchers as to fees ?

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Esq.,
President, French Council.

Shanghaï, le 26 Décembre, 1882.

MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT,—J'ai l'honneur de vous accuser réception de votre lettre du 19 courant, par laquelle vous m'informer que le "Municipal Council désirerait avoir quelques renseignements sur le mode d'Administration des abattoirs que le Conseil a l'intention de faire construire sur la Concession Française, avant de s'engager à prendre les mesures nécessaires pour obliger les bouchers indigènes à faire abattre dans ces abattoirs le bétail destiné à l'alimentation des Concessions au Nord du Yang-king-pang et des navires sur rade.

Le Conseil est d'avis de faire construire ces abattoirs à ses frais et de les faire administrer sous sa surveillance directe.

Le service serait fait par un employé européen, cinq bouchers chinois et huit coolies ou aides bouchers. L'employé européen serait chargé de la surveillance generale et de la vérification de l'état de sauté des animaux amenés pour être abattus.

Une somme fixée par un tarif approuvé par les deux Conseils serait perçue pour l'abattage de chaque animal, par example :—

1 Bœuf	$0.40
1 Mouton	0.25
1 Veau	0.25
1 Porc	0.25

Nous ne prendrons, du reste, des mesures définitives qu'après entente préalable entre les deux Conseils.

Nous espérons que vous reconnaîtres l'urgence de la construction de ces abattoirs qui sont appelès à rendre de grands services aux Concessions Etrangères de Shanghai.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée.

Le Président du Conseil,

E. G. VOUILLEMONT.

Monsieur W. C. WARD,
Président du "Municipal Council."

Electric Lighting.

In compliance with a request from the Shanghai Electric Company permission was given them in June last to place an experimental lamp on the band stand in the public garden, and to use the telegraph poles for their wires provided that where crossing a public road they are placed at such a height above the crown of it as not to interfere with the traffic.

Subsequently permission was granted to the company to erect poles and wires in various streets in the settlement with the condition that both should be under the superintendence of the Municipal Surveyor and with the understanding that the poles are only experimental, and that the Council can order their removal at any time on giving three months notice.

In September last the Electric Company tendered to light the whole settlement for Tls. 15000 per annum and annexed is the correspondence on the subject.

Shanghai Electric Company.
Shanghai, 1st September, 1882.

Dear Sir,—I shall be obliged by your laying this tender before the Municipal Council.

The Shanghai Electric Company is prepared to light the whole of the Foreign Settlements north of the Yang-king-pang for the sum of fifteen thousand taels a year.

The Company proposes to erect a tower in the Maloo, at or about the intersection of the Shantung Road, 250 feet in height, carrying 8 or 9 4,000 candle power lamps, each lamp being fully twice the power of those now exhibited in Shanghai. The lamps will burn continuously from dusk to daylight, and this tower will fully illuminate what is known as the English Settlement.

In Hongkew it is proposed to erect two smaller towers, each with 8 2,000-candle power lamps, the peculiar shape of what is known as the American Settlement necessitating there being two light-centres.

The system of lighting by a group of lamps on towers or masts has been adopted by the Company after consultation with and on the advice of the representative and experts sent out by the Brush Company. It is largely used in the United States, and with great success, and my Directors are confident that if the Council accepts this tender the illumination of Shanghai will be far better than it is now, and future extensions of building in the Settlements will not call for additional lights: for while by the present system only the streets themselves are lighted, by the tower system the whole area of the Settlements will be illuminated.

The towers erected will be Elgin Tubular Towers made of gas pipe. We append a photograph of one of them, and enclose a detailed plan to shew the general mode of contruction, but we would observe that the plan shews a triangular tower, while the one we propose to erect in the Maloo will be quandrangular. These towers have been erected in San José, California; Fargo, Dakota; Evansville, Indiana; Aurora, Illinois, &c., &c., and are rapidly superseding masts, being lighter and stronger. The whole weight of a 250 feet tower is only 16,204 lbs., or under eight tons; they require no guys, and are guaranteed to withstand any and all storms that are not generally destructive to the surrounding property. As you will see from the photograph they form no obstruction to the streets in which they are erected, the four legs on which they stand being of small diameter, and the first cross-tie being 25 feet above the roadway. The legs will stand on the side walk, entirely out of the way of the carriage traffic.

In addition to the three towers above-mentioned, it is proposed to erect about 20 lamps of 2,000-candle power each on the Bund and in such other places as may be desired, or incandescent lamps in the raio of about ten incandescent lamps for each are lamp in places where smaller and more frequent lamps are required to supplement the tower lights.

The adoption of this Company's proposal does not necessitate any interference with the gas-lamps or mains at present existing. The whole of the electricity required will be generated at the present Central Station and conducted on wires similar to those now carried by the Municipal poles.

With the exception of the towers themselves, all the plant required is now in Shanghai or on the way, and the Company will use every endeavour to have the whole system in working order by 1st January next. Meanwhile the Company will be glad to supply any number of are lights required by the Council at $4 a week each, if burnt from dusk to half after midnight, or $7 a week each from dusk to daylight.

The officials of the Company will be glad to meet the Council at any time to further explain this proposal, if desired.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

R. W. LITTLE,
Secy. Shanghai Electric Company.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 5th September, 1882.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 1st inst., which has been submitted to the Council, and in reply, I am directed to say that your tender to light the whole of the Settlement from 1st January next, for the sum of Tls. 15,000 (fifteen thousand taels), will be fully considered by them at an early date.

In the meantime they are desirous to give the light a fair trial, and for this purpose I am instructed to enquire what your charge will be for ten lamps to be placed along the Bund in such positions as may be considered advisable, the lamps to burn from dusk till 12 o'clock p.m.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To R. W. LITTLE, Esq.,
Secretary, Shanghai Electric Company.

Shanghai Electric Company.
Shanghai, 7th September, 1882.

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge with thanks your letter of 5th inst. ($\frac{82}{895}$), announcing that the Council would fully consider at an early date this Company's tender to light the Settlements, and asking what the charge will be meanwhile for ten lamps to be placed along the Bund.

The charge for these lamps or any smaller or larger number the Council may require will be $4 per lamp per week, the lamp burning from dusk until half-past twelve a.m. This includes all expense of erecting and maintaining the lamps.

Should the Council decide to take the ten lamps on these terms, I shall be obliged by your sending me the necessary permit to connect the wire at the Club with that at the end of the Peking Road. The only delay will be for the time occupied in making the lamp posts, and they could be lighted in a very short time.

I am, Dear Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. W. LITTLE,
Secretary, Shanghai Electric Co.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 12th September, 1882.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 7th inst., which has been submitted to the Council, and in reply, I am directed to inform you that they have decided to accept your offer to supply ten lamps for lighting the Bund till the end of the year, at the rate of four dollars ($4) per week, for each lamp, inclusive of all expenses for erecting and maintaining them, the lamps to burn from dusk till half-past twelve.

The Surveyor will arrange with you about the position of the lights, and a permit to connect the wire at the Club with that at the end of the Peking road will be sent in course of to-day.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To R. W. LITTLE, Esq.,
Secretary, Shanghai Electric Company.

Shanghai, 15th September, 1882.

DEAR SIR,—We have to thank you for your letter of 12th inst. $\frac{82}{404}$. Before settling definitely with the Council's Surveyor the position of the ten lamps to be erected on the Bund, we should be glad to know if the Council will allow us to place them in the centre of the roadway, where they will be much more effective than in any other position. So far from impeding the traffic, these lamp-posts are certain to facilitate by dividing it; most of the principal streets in London, where the traffic is much heavier than in Shanghai, have lamp-posts in the centre of the roadway, and all carriages being made to keep to the left of these posts, there is much less confusion than where there are no guides of this kind. We feel sure that if the Council allows us to carry out this suggestion, the public will in a very little while recognise its advantage.

I am, dear Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. W. LITTLE,
Secretary, Shanghai Electric Co.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 19th September, 1882.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 15th inst., which has been submitted to the Council, and in reply, I am directed to say that they cannot allow you to place the lamps required for lighting the Bund in the centre of the roadway as proposed by you.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To R. W. LITTLE, Esq.,
Secretary, Shanghai Electric Co.

In November the Superintendent of Police reported that runners from the Mixed Court had visited those natives in the settlement who had adopted the Electric light, warning them that its use was prohibited, and that in consequence none of their lamps were lighted on the night of the 12th.

On learning this the Council addressed the Senior Consul calling his attention to this uuwarrantable interference with the Chinese residents in the settlement and requesting him to make snch representations to the Chinese authorities as would prevent a repetition of it.

The following is the correspondence on the subject.

Shanghai, 15th November, 1882.

SIR—The Superintendent of Police has reported to the Council that runners from the Mixed Court have been visiting the dwellings of those Chinese in the Settlement who have adopted the electric light, waruing them to discontinue its use.

The Council desire me to draw your attention and that of the Consular Body to what they consider an unwarrantable interference with the lawful avocations of Chinese residents in the Settlement, and one which may lead to disturbances, and they trust that the Consular Body will make such representations to the Chinese authorities as will prevent a repetition of such proceedings.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedlent servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To DR. FOCKE,
H. I. G. M.'s Consul-General,
and Senior Consul.

Shanghai, 16th November, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 15th inst, in which you draw my attention to the fact reported to you that runners of the Mixed Court have been visiting the dwellings of those Chinese in the Settlement who have adopted the electric light, warning them to discontinue its use, and request that the Consular Body would make such representations to the Chinese authorities as would prevent a repetition of such proceedings.

In reply, I beg to state that the matter referred to is already under the consideration of the Consular Body, who have informed the Taotai that they object to the position he has taken up with regard to the use of the electric light in Chinese houses.

I have the honour to be, Sir
Your obedient servant,
FOCKE,
His German Majesty's Consul-General and Senior Consul.

To W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman, Shanghai Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 2nd December, 1882.

SIR—Recurring to my letter of the 16th November last, I have the honour to inform you that the Consular Body have received a communication from the Taotai, according to which the prohibition of the use of the electric light in Chinese houses will not be insisted upon.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

FOCKE,

His German Majesty's Consul-General and Senior Consul

To W. C. WARD, Esq.,
Chairman, Shanghai Municipal Council.

OPENING ROADS BY WATER WORKS COMPANY.

In April last the Health Officer intimated to the Council that in his opinion, and that of the other members of the Medical profession residing in the settlement, it was essential for the preservation of the health of the Community that the opening of roads by the Water Works Company for the purpose of carrying on their works, should not be allowed during the hot season, it was therefore decided to inform the Water Works Company that no permits to open roads, would be granted to them from the 5th May, until about the end of September.

In reply the Company protested against this regulation as an infringement of the agreement made by the Council with them in August 1880, and intimated that they would claim compensation for the loss they would sustain from the interruption to their work if all permits were withheld during the period named.

Annexed is the Correspondence on the subject:—

Shanghai, 3rd April, 1882.

SIR—As you are no doubt aware the Shanghai Water Works' Company are now engaged in laying their mains and pipes throughout the Settlement, having obtained from the Council a permit allowing them to open roads for this purpose.

Hitherto for sanitary reasons it has been customary to cease all drainage operation on the 20th May, and to refuse all permits to land mud for the purpose of raising land in the Settlement from that date till the 20th September; the Council therefore are desirous to ascertain from you whether you consider that the health of the community would be endangered by the Water Work's Company being allowed to continue their operations during the summer months, and if, in your opinion, the permit allowing them to open roads should be withdrawn from the 20th May until the 20th September.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,

Secretary.

Dr. HENDERSON,
Officer of Health.

4, Hongkong Road,
Shanghai, 8th April, 1882.

SIR, I haveg iven your letter of the 3rd April careful consideration, and am of opinion that the health of the community would be endangered should the Waterworks' Company be allowed to continue to lay their pipes along the street of the Settlement during the snmmer months. It is probable that the hot weather will set in early this year, and, in view of this, I am of opinion that the permit to open the roads should be withdrawn at the end of the present month. I may state that the Health Officer for the French Concession and I are agreed on this point.

The work of laying these pipes is one which cannot be too carefully proceeded with. The drains leading into the main sewers are evidently in a most unsatisfactory condition, and when one of these is opened we have a right to insist that its thorough repair be made a first consideration by the Engineer of the Waterworks' Company. Such repairs ought not to be delayed an hour longer than neeessary. I would further recommmend the liberal use of suitable disinfectants as a measure which may be of real service in diminishing risk, and which will at least mitigate the nuisance created in the neighbourhood of some of the excavations by the escape of sewer gas.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
EDWARD HENDERSON,
Health Officer.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.

Shanghai, 17th April, 1882.

GENTLEMEN,—The Municipal Officer of Health has stated to the Council that in his opinion the health of the community would be endangered should your Company be allowed to continue to lay its pipes along the streets of the Settlements during the summer months.

With this warning, and after considering the question at meeting of their body at which the Health Officer was present, the Council have decided that they would not be justified in extending the permit at present granted to your Company to open the ground for laying the water pipes beyond the date to which it now stands, viz., the 5th May next, when it will cease.

I am accordingly instructed to inform you of this decison now, so that the Company may have time to adapt its operations to this necessity.

With regard to the time when the permit to open the ground to lay pipes can be renewed, the Council are advised that it will be better to defer permission until the latter end of September next, but they will be guided by circumstances.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant.
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Messrs. DRYSDALE RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries. Shanghai Waterworks' Company (Limited.)

Shanghai, 20th April, 1882.

SIR,—We beg to acknowledge receipt of your favour of I7th inst. informing us that the Municipal Officer of Health had stated to the Council, that in his opinion, the health of the community would be endangered should our Company be allowed to continue laying its water-pipes along the streets of the Settlement during the sum-

mer months. Also that a meeting of the Council had been held, at which it was decided that the Council would not be justified, with the above expression of opinion before it, in extending the permit granted to the Company to open the ground for laying the water-pipes beyond the date to which it now extends, viz., the 5th May next. Further, that the Council had been advised that it would be better to defer granting similar permission until the latter end of September, but that in this they would be guided by circumstances.

It is with some surprise that we receive this notification, as such a prolonged interruption of the works, never, we think, entered into the calculations of either side at the time the agreement between the Council and the Company was drawn up, and it is, in our opinion, inconsistent with the true construction of that agreement. Clause (No. 3 in the Deed of Covenant) which specially refers to the Council's control of the works, certainly does not provide for such a contingency and the subsequent clauses, fixing a date for the completion of the works and imposing a heavy penalty for non-completion, bear out this view.

We would remind you that that the Company was allowed to lay its mains last year in Hongkew during the months of July, August and September, and it is also matter of fact that within the last few years permission was granted to the Gas Company to have the Nankin Road open during the summer months.

It is of course not the wish of the Company to do anything likely to endanger the health of the community, but it seems a matter very much open to question whether opening the roads to a depth of a couple of feet, for a trench not much more than a foot wide can be reasonably considered to constitute a serious source of danger. We might further suggest the question whether the health of the community would not be better consulted by the Company being granted every facility to push on with its works, to provide at the earliest possible date the supply of pure water which is felt to be so greatly wanted both for domestic and sanitary purposes.

It only remains for us to point out that the action of the Council, if persisted in, will subject the Company to a considerable loss and it will probably be necessary for us to address you again upon this part of the subject, with a view to compensation and also to a modification of Clauses 2 and 16 in the Deed of Covenant, to provide for an extension of time for the completion of the works.

We are, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
DRYSDALE. RINGER, & Co.,
Secretaries.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 22nd April, 1882.

We, the undersigned Medical Practitioners in Shanghai, are of opinion, that the health of the community would be endangered by opening up the roads of the Settlements, for the purpose of laying water-pipes, or any other kind of pipes during the summer months, and we recommend that all such work be suspended from the end of this month until the beginning of next winter.

Dr. L. PICHON.
JAMES JOHNSTON.
L. S. LITTLE.
V. ZACHARIÆ.
R. W. SLOAN.
Dr. ZEDELIUS.

With the reservation, that as danger arises mainly from the atmospheric conditions prevalent during the opening of the roads, which conditions are not absolutely constant in relation to periods of the year, the dates of suspension and resumption of the work should be indicated, not precisely but merely, as the beginning and the end of the season of great heat and moisture, which season may begin earlier or later, and last for a longer or shorter time than the average.

R. ALEX. JAMIESON.

SHANGHAI, 26th April, 1882.

GENTLEMEN,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th inst., replying to receive to you of the 17th inst.

Your letter has been submitted to the Council, and I am instructed to inform you that they see no reason to alter the decision come to by them, and expressed in my letter to you of the 17th inst.

They cannot agree with you that the clause of the Deed of 18th March, 1881, does not provide for the contingency which has occurred, and which has compelled the Council to withhold for a while permission to your Company to open the roads and public lands. That clause states very clearly that the permission to be granted by the Council shall be subject to such reasonable conditions and restrictions, as to dates and duration of opening, as the reasonable protection and convenience of the inhabitants may require.

However questionable it may seem to the Directors of your Company that the opening of the roads constitutes a danger, the Council does not feel justified in disregarding the advice of their own Health Officer that there is danger in such opening, and whose opinion they have reason to know is shared by nearly (if not) all the resident medical gentlemen.

So strong an opinion as this seems to the Council ample proof that, in the language of 1st clause of the Deed of Covenants, to which I have already referred, the reasonable protection of the inhabitants requires them to restrict the dates for opening the roads, in accordance with medical opinion.

With regard to your remark that permission was given last year to your Company in July, August and September to open the roads in Hongkew, and to the Gas Company in other years during the summer months, it is scarcely necessary to point out that what may not be injurious at one time, may be the reverse at another, and that last year, at any rate, no such objection presented itself, as is now brought to the attention of the Council.

The concluding paragraph of your letter needs no further reply now, than that the Council are desirous to afford every assistance they properly can to so useful an undertaking as your Company, but they must reserve the subjects alluded to in that paragraph for future discussion, as and when they may be presented for their consideration.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Messrs DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries,
Shanghai Water Works' Co. (Limited.)

Shanghai, 27th April, 1882.

SIR,—We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of yesterday's date, in which you inform us that our letter of the 20th instant has been submitted to the Council, and they see no reason to alter the decision come to by them and communicated by your latter to us of the 17th inst.

We do not consider it necessary at the moment to attempt to combat the construction which, as expressed in your letter, the Council put upon the Deed of Covenant of the 18th March, 1881, but, as is apparent from our previous letter, our construction of it differs materially from theirs.

While the Company do not desire in any event to act in opposition to the views of the Council and their Health Officer as regards the opening of the public roads, yet in view of the fact that the Company's right to compensation in respect of the stoppage of their works depends in the first instance upon the construction of the Deed of Covenant, it appears to us that questions have arisen within the meaning of the 20th clause of the Deed which it is desirable in the interest of both parties should be referred to arbitration with as little delay as possible.

The questions to be determined we take to be whether the Council are legally entitled to withhold from the Company for a period of several months permission to open the roads for the purpose of the Company's works, and whether the Company are entitled to compensation in the event of the Council so withholding permission.

If the Council approve of this suggestion of a submission to arbitration, we shall be glad if they will instruct their legal adviser to confer with the legal adviser of the Company with a view to make the necessary arrangements.

We are, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.,

Secretaries.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Counicil.

Shanghai, 28th April, 1882.

DEAR SIR.—I beg to inform you we will in the course of a day or two have finished pipe-laying in the roads for which you granted a permit, dated 4th February. Therefore I beg to request you will be pleased to grant another permit to enable us to continue operations in the Soochow Road to Honan Road, Honan Road from the Soochow to the Yang-king-pang Creek, &c., the intervening roads east and west between Kiangse and Honan Roads.

With a continuance of fine weather, and in the absence of unforseen obstacles, there is every reason to suppose this work will be finished in about two weeks.

This is an important section of the work, and I trust this application will be favourably entertained.

I am,

Your truly,

J. W. HART,

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 28th April, 1882.

SIR.—In reply to your letter of this date, I have only to express in more decided terms the advice I have already given in my letter of the 8th instant.

The health of the community will, in my opinion, suffer, should the Council permit the Water Works' Company to continue to lay their pipes in the streets of the settlement as proposed in the letter addressed to the Secretary by the Company's Engineer, and dated 28th April.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

EDWARD HENDERSON,

Health Officer.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 29th April, 1882.

SIR.—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 28th instant., and in reply, I am directed to say that as the Health Officer is still very decidedly of opinion that the health of the community will suffer if the Water Works' Company continue laying their pipes in the streets of the Settlement, as proposed by you, the Council feel themselves compelled to refuse the new permit for which you have applied.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. THORBURN,

Secretary.

To J. W. HART, Esq.

Shanghai, 5th May, 1882.

GENTLEMEN.—Your letter to me of the 26th ultimo. and also Mr. Hart's letter of the 28th ultimo. applying for another permit to enable the Shanghai Water Works' Coy. to continue operations in the Soochow road to Honan road, and in the Honan road from the Soochow road to the Yang-king-pang Creek, and the intervening roads East and West between Kiangse and Honan roads, have been submitted to the Council.

To this latter letter you have already received a reply stating that the health officer is more decided now than before, in his objection to permission being granted for the opening of the roads, as proposed in Mr. Hart's letter to me of the 28th ultimo.

With regard to your letter of the 26th ulto., I am instrucetd to inform you that at present the Council see nothing requiring arbitration—they have pointed out their reason for refusing the permission asked for in Mr. Hart's letter of the 28th ulto. and your Company has not given its reasons for objecting to the view taken by the Conncil.

The general question whether the Company may or may not be entitled to compensation is too vague a one to be arbitrated.

It appears to the Council that they have an absolute jurisdiction over the roads of their Settlements, and that it was never contemplated by the deed of 18th March, 1881, that they should in any event refer to arbitration any question as to that jurisdiction. To agree to such a reference would be to substitute two arbitrators and an umpire for the Council, in a matter involving the government of the Settlements.

I am further to add that, while the Council have decided not to renew at present the *general* permission to open the roads, they are far from desiring to act obstructively with the Company. The opinion of the Health Officer was at first expressed generally, and whether it may be varied by special conditions of weather or locality, may be a question for his consideration, and the Council have shown their willingness to submit to him, any applications to proceed with special portions of their works which the Company may send in. To the one of the 28th ultimo, they have felt obliged to give a refusal.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Messrs. DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.,
Secretaries, Shanghai Water Works' Co.
(Limited.)

Shanghai, 8th May, 1882.

SIR.—We have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th inst., in reply to ours of the 26th ultimo.

As the Council do not adopt the Committee's suggestion of arbitration, the Committee do not propose to discuss the matter further at the present moment.

They will, when the damage, which the Company has sustained on account of the stoppage of their works has been ascertained, make their claim upon the Council accordingly, and they trust that they will then be able to satisfy the Council that the position which they take up in the letter now under reply is quite untenable.

The Committee are obliged to the Council for the expression of their goodwill towards the Company contained in your letter, and they only hope that their next application for a permit will be more successful than their last.

We are, Sir,
Your obedient servants,
DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.
Secretaries.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai 10th May, 1882.

DEAR SIR—In view of the remarks contained in your letter of the 5th inst., I now beg to renew my application and ask if you will be good enough to grant a pemit to enable me to proceed with the following works :

1.—To place in position and connect with the mains and service pipes now laid, the public hydrant, and supply valves for private consumers.

2—To connect the unfinished service pipes in Hongkew, viz :—In Seward road and Broadway to Tiendong road; from Tiendong road to Astor road, also the junction at Boone and Woosung roads.

From Szechuen on Soochow road to Honan road, and south in the same roads to Tientsin road, and east and west from Honan to Kiangse road in Peking, Ningpo and Tientsin roads.

3.—The Bubbling Well road from Defence Creek. for a distance of about two miles west, with pipes laying, public hydrants and supply valves for private consumers.

Trusting to be favoured with an early reply.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours truly.

J. W. HART.

R. F. THORBURN Esq.,
Secretary, Municipality.

Shanghai, 11th May, 1882.

SIR,—Before giving a definite reply to your letter of the 10th inst., I am instructed to ask you to state for what time you desire permits to open the roads.

1st.—To place in position and connect with the mains and service pipes now laid, the public hydrant and supply valves for private consumers.

2nd.—To connect the unfinished service pipes in Hongkew, viz :—In Seward road and Brodway to Tiendong road; from Tiendong road to Astor road, also the junction at Boone and Woosung roads.

3rd.—The Bubbling Well road from Defence Creek, for a distance of about two miles west, with pipe laying, public hydrants and supply valves for private consumers.

The paragragh "from Szechuen on Soochow road, etc.," appears to imply that permission is desired to open those roads for the purpose of laying your pipes, and to be therefore a repetition of the application conveyed in yours of 28th ulto., and which the Council, as expressed in my letter of 29th, were obliged to refuse. I shall be glad to be informed on this point.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. F. .THORBURN,
Secretary.

To J. W. HART, Esq.

Shanghai, 13th May, 1882.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your favour of the 11th inst., I have to inform you it is beyond my power to definitely state the time necessary to complete the works for which I ask a permit. Under favourable circumstances, it seems to me about ten days will suffice for Hongkew, and about one month for the Bubbling Well road.

The time required to place in position the public hydrants and supply valves will depend upon circumstances for the reasons I had the pleasure to explain to you verbally.

My former application for permission to proceed with the work in the Honan road, was from the Soochow to the Yang-king-pang Creek, the whole length of the road. My application of the 10th asks for permission to proceed in the Honan road south to Tientsin road only.

I am, dear Sir,
Yours truly,
J. W. HART,

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,
Secretary, Municipality.

Shanghai, 16th May, 1882.

SIR.—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letters of 10th and 13th inst., which have been submitted to the Council, and in reply, I am directed to say that, acting under the advice of the Health Officer, they have decided to refuse your application for permits to open the Bubbling Well road and the roads in the Settlements, for the purpose of laying your pipes, &c., as proposed in your letters now under reply.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To J. W. HART, Esq.,
Engineer, Shanghai Waterworks' Co.

Shanghai, 15th May, 1882.

SIR,—In answer to your letter of this morning enclosing a new application from the Water Works' Company, I beg to submit the following:—

With regard to the connecting and placing of public hydrants and supply valves, I am not in a position to advise until I am in possession of the details of the work proposed. Permission to connect unfinished service-pipes in Hongkew and in the English settlement, as set forth in the second and third paragraphs of Mr. Hart's application, should be refused, on the same grounds as the last similar request made by the Company was refused. I am of opinion that the Company should not now be permitted to open up the Bubbling Well road, for the purpose of laying pipes, etc., such disturbance of the soil during hot weather is likely to have an injurious effect on the public health.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
EDWARD HENDERSON,
Health Officer.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,

Shanghai, 16th May, 1882.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of yesterday's date referring to the application made by the Waterworks' Compnny for a new permit to open the Bubbling Well road, and to connect the unfinished service-pipes in Hongkew and the English Settlement.

As the Council are at present advised, the placing in position of the public hydrants and supply valves for private consumers, and connecting them with the mains and service-pipes now laid will necessitate the opening of the roads in the Settlements in numerous positions. Probably no great extent of road will require to be opened in one place, and the time occupied in executing the work need not be long, but on this point, Mr. Hart, the Engineer to the Company, cannot give any definite information. It is possible that no drains would be tapped during the progress of the works.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant.
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Dr. E. HENDERSON,
Municipal Health Officer.

4, Hongkong Road.
19th May, 1882.

SIR,—The information contained iu your letter of the 16th inst, regarding the placing in position of the hydrants and supply valves, is so little detailed that I am still unable to advise the Council definitely. Two points are however clear:—

First,—That we ought not to allow any great extent of ground to be disturbed; and second,---That we cannot permit the drains to be again opened on the public roads. On these two points I note that you are only able to state what is probable and possible; and I presume that the Council has been unable to obtain any more definite information from the Company.

Perhaps the best way of settling the question would be to grant the Company permission to place hydrants and supply valves in a division of one street. in a selected situation. From this, as a specimen, we could easily judge whether the work is one which could be safely proceeded with.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
EDWARD HENDERSON,
Health Officer,

BUBBLING WELL ROAD.

SHANGHAI, 20th May, 1882.

SIR,—We, the undersigned, feeling the urgent necessity for a water supply on the Bubbling Well Road, beg to request that you will grant permission to the Water Works' Company to lay its pipes along that road, and thereby enable it to comply with the request we are about to address to it to continue its operations in that direction.

Unless the pipes are now laid we have reasons for supposing that they cannot be laid in time for next summer. We therefore think this an opportune moment to ask you to be good enough to comply with our application.

Waiting your early reply.

We are Sir,
Your obedient servants,
W. S. WETMORE,
and 26 others.

To the CHAIRMAN of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

SHANGHAI, 23rd May, 1882.

SIR,—A number of Residents on the Bubbling Well Road have memorialised the Council in favor of the Water Works' Company being allowed to lay their pipes along that road at once. When replying to the letter the Council desire to put before the memorialists the reasons why Medical Authorities consider it undesirable to perform such work under existing conditions, and to this end the Council will feel obliged if you will favour them with a statement of your views on the subject.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

To Dr. E. HENDERSON,
Health Officer.

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4 Hongkong Road,
SHANGHAI, 23rd May, 1882.

R. F. THORBURN, Esq.,

SIR,—The principle of avoiding, as far as possible, any disturbance of the soil in malarious districts is well established, and is, at the present date, usually acted on by Sanitary Authorities. The diseases which are supposed in such localities to originate in the soil, as a result probably of a fermentative process in the animal and vegetable matter which it contains, are the various forms of Malarial Fevers, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, and, it is said, Cholera.

Last year, with an unusually high general death rate, Dysentery assumed in Shanghai in one or two instances an uncommon malignancy of type; Malarial Fevers were prevalent, especially among those living in the outskirts of the Settlements; out of a total of 111 deaths from all causes, thirteen deaths were registered to Cholera; we have had literally no winter, and there is reason to fear that such a complete absence of cold weather may render the hot season now before us unusually trying—in other words—may favour the development of those forms of disease which are usually encountered in Shanghai during the summer months.

We know that in Shanghai Malarial Fevers, Dysentery, Diarrhoea and Cholera prevail chiefly during hot weather, assuming usually their worst types in the Spring and Autumn, under the influence of the moisture and sudden variations

of temperature which characterise these seasons. In advising the Council to prohibit soil disturbances during the hot weather, I have simply sought in the interests of the public health, to guard against anything which might reasonably appear likely to favour the development and spread of diseases, the germs of which are undoubtedly already in existence amongst us. I have moreover yet to learn that the public will derive any advantage from hurrying on the work of pipe-laying during the hot weather. If the Water Works Company are in a position to supply water when these pipes are laid, or will be able to do so for some time before that work could be accomplished in cool dry weather, then there would be some object in continuing the work during the summer, and taking whatever risks are thereby incurred. Failing any assurance of the kind from the Company, I cannot regard the opening up of the Bubbling Well Road, at this season of the year, in any other light than that of an unnecessary, and somewhat dangerous, experiment.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
EDWARD HENDERSON.

SHANGHAI, 31st May, 1882.

GENTLEMEN,—I have to ackowledge receipt of your letter of 20th inst., and in reply I have to inform you that as the Health Officer is very decidedly of opinion that the Bubbling Well Road should not be opened during the hot weather, the Council regret that they are unable to comply with your request that permission should be granted to the Water Works' Company to lay their pipes along it at once.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
W. C. WARD,
Chairman.

To W. S. WETMORE, Esq.,
and others.

JINRIKSHAS.

Immediately after the Council entered upon office Mr. Bidwell applied on behalf of a native friend for 100 Jinriksha licenses; which application was refused on the ground that the Council did not consider it advisable to make any addition to the number of licenses issued, which was then limited to 1,500. In reply Mr. Bidwell stated that his native friend was prepared to pay 50 per cent premium for any number of licenses which might be issued to him, and that he could give good security for his observance of all Municipal Regulations.

On this application being also refused for the same reason as the former Mr. Bidwell proposed that the licenses should be put up to public tender, and asked the Council if they would support such a proposition if a Special Meeting of ratepayers was called to consider the subject.

In reply Mr. Bidwell was informed that the Council intended to to call a Special Meeting when the whole question of Jinriksha licenses wonld be submitted to the Ratepayers.

This Meeting was held in the 20th April, when the following resolution was proposed by Mr. W. C. Ward, and seconded by Mr. C. J. Holliday.

That the License fee for Jinrikshas let for hire be raised to $1.50 per month each from the 1st day of May, 1882.

The following amendment was then proposed by Mr. Kingsmill, seconded by Mr. Wainewright and carried.

That in lieu of the resolution, as proposed by the Council, the following be substituted:—

That the licenses for Jinrikshas let for hire be put up to public competition in terms to be stated by the Municipal Council.

On the 13th May the following letter and its enclosure were received from the Senior Consul.

United States Consulate-General,
Shanghai, 13th May, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honour to hand you enclosed a copy of a communication which I have received from the Taotai, in regard to the resolution passed at the special meeting of ratepayers, that the licenses for jinrickshas let for hire be put up to public competition, &c.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
O. N. DENNY,
U.S. Consul-General, aud Senior Consul.

To W. C. WARD Esq.,
Chairman, Municipal Council, Shanghai.

Shanghai, 28th April, 1882.

Liu, Intendant of the Circuit of Soochow Fu, Sung Chiong Fu and Tai Tsang Chou, in the Province of Chiang Su, make the following communication to the United States Consul-General etc., etc., etc.

The writer is in receipt of a communication from Chen, the magistrate of the Mixed Court, to the effect that, Fu Chin Yu, Fan Yu Chun and many others have presented a petition showing that they are owners of jinrickshas which they ply for hire under licenses issued in accordance with Municipal regulations; that some

time ago on account of the clothing worn by jinricksha coolies being dirty and untidy, it was decided (by petitioners) to establish a guild, that every jinricksha proprietor shall purchase new garments for the coolies employed by them, and further that special men shall be employed to patrol the streets as overseers ; that a petition was presented (to the Mixed Court Magistrate) and a proclamation was accordingly issued by that officer, but just about the time the guild was established certain foreigners (ratepayers), together with the Municipal Council (convened a meeting) and after deliberation, a resolution was passed to the effect that the 1,500 licenses for jinrickshas be put up to public competition (let, sold at auction) in order to increase the Municipal revenue ; that if the jinricksha traffic is to be under the control of the foreigner who purchases all of the licenses, then in this case, there will be no employment for the jinrickshas at present in use, and they will be a total loss to the owners, and for a jinricksha owner to be unable to procure licenses to ply his vehicles, is to him the same as taking away his means of support.

The petitioners beg therefore that the Municipal Council be requested to allow the former regulation to continue in force instead of putting up the licenses to public competition (at auction), to the end that they may all continue their business without anxiety. The Magistrate further states that he was also besought by over a hundred jinricksha owners who came to his yamen, and he at once, in company with the Shanghai Magistrate, called on the United States Consul-General, Mr. Denny, for the purpose of entreating him to request the Municipal Council, at his earliest convenience, to withdraw the resolution (passed at the meeting of ratepayers) to put up the licenses to public competition, and thus give purchasers the entire monopoly of the traffic, but to adhere to the regulation hitherto in force, so that trouble may be avoided. As Mr. Consul-General Denny happened to be out of his office, Mr. Cheshire, the United States Interpreter, was therefore requested to inform Mr. Denny on his return (of the object of the Magistrate's visit), and to ask him to lay the foregoing statements before the Municipality in a fair and impartial way, and to request that the resolution be withdrawn to the end that the owners of jinrickshas may not have cause of uneasiness.

Nearly all of the owners of the jinrickshas are poor and they depend entirely on the small profit they earn as a means of daily support, and to now decide to increase the license fee, is in itself, a source of embarrassment for them, but would be still a greater hardship to them, if all the licenses were sold to one man, and he to have entire monopoly of the traffic, for in this case, the present stock of jinrickshas would be a dead loss to the owners, and to suddenly cut off the source by which they obtain their living is sure to incur their displeasnre and it is seriously thought that they may become excited, and cause trouble, and as it is a matter concerning their food and raiment, in the event of a disturbance, it is to be feared that the commands of the official might not have the effect of restraining them.

Then again, monopolies of trade in Western countries have hitherto met with disfavor and against which there are stringent prohibitory laws, and is it not a monopoly for the Municipal Council to suddenly decide that the 1,000 more jinricksha licenses now held by several hundred person shall be put up to public competition (*lit.*, at auction ?)

The administration of the Settlements is entrusted to the Municipal Council, and whenever questions come up for consideration, it is very essential that they should be discussed in a fair and impartial way and treated with a view to giving

satisfaction to the public (all residents within the Settlements); it would not seem right to give one person the entire control of a business which hitherto has been carried on by many persons and thus deprive the poor jinricksha men of their means of support. All of the owners of jinrickshas are natives and it is right and proper that their interests should be protected by the Chinese officials. and in presenting the foregoing statements the Magistrate begs that they may be communicated to the Consular representatives of the Foreign Powers and that they be invited to request the Municipal Council to withdraw the resolution to put up licenses for jinrickshas to public competition (*lit.*, at auction) to the end that trouble and complications may be avoided.

The writer also received a petition signed by Fan Yu-chun and others, and he would observe that, the circumstances of the case as represented to him by the petitioner are true and well founded. At present there are a great many natives employed in the jinricksha traffic within the foreign Settlements, and to suddenly cut off their means of support is sure to cause their displeasure and may lead to trouble. Now besides having instructed the Mixed Court Magistrate to consult and deliberate with (?) with a view of having the resolution withdrawn, as well as having issued instructions to all of the jinricksha proprietors to continue to carry on their business in a quiet and orderly manner and not cause trouble, the writer as in duty bound addresses this communication, embodying the foregoing statements, to the United States Consul-General and will thank him to favor the same with perusal and at his earliest convenience, to request the Municipal Council to not put up the licenses for jinrickshas let for hire to public competition (*lit.*, at auction), but to adhere to the former regulation, to the end that trouble may be avoided.

The writer hopes that the United States Consul-General will favour him with a reply to this communication.

A necessary communication addressed to O. N. Denny, Esq., United States Consul-General, &., &., &.

Translated by F. D. CHESHIRE.

On the 20th May the Council advertised inviting tenders for the 1,500 licenses and on 26th May the Native Owners of Jinrikshas petitioned the Court of Consuls to make an interim order to stay the immediate action of the Council in respect of advertising and putting up the Jinriksha licenses for tender, until the said Court had decided whether they had the power to do so.

Annexed are the Petition of the Plantiffs the Answer by the Council, and the decision of the Court of Consuls.

IN THE COURT OF FOREIGN CONSULS AT SHANGHAI IN THE EMPIRE OF CHINA.

SHANGHAI, 6th June.

Between FU CHIN YUE, WAN YUE CHUN, TSUE CHUN-HO, PAO SUE-HUNG, WOO YE KHING and YANG SHUN-FOO ..... *Plaintiffs;*

AND

THE COUNCIL FOR THE FOREIGN COMMUNITY OF SHANGHAI,.....*Defendants.*

SHANGHAI, 26*th* May, 1882.

Before O. N, DENNY Esq., *U.S. Consul-General, President.*

The Plaintiffs' petition was as follows:

1.—The Plaintiffs are residents in the foreign Settlements at Shanghai, and are owners of jinrickshas, which are licensed to ply for hire in the said Settlements.

2.—The Municipal Council for the foreign Community of Shanghai exists by virtue of the Land Regulations and Bye-laws, as finally revised and sanctioned as appears by minutes signed by the representatives of the nations interested on the 24th September, 1869, and the 21st October, 1869.

3.—The 34th Bye-law empowers the said Council to charge such fees in respect of licenses as may be authorised at the annual general meeting of ratepayers.

4.—The last annual general meeting of ratepayers was held on the 24th day of February, 1882, and at that meeting a resolution was duly passed authorising the said Council to levy a license fee of one dollar per month during the current year on every jinricksha let for hire.

5.—On the 20th day of April, 1882, a special meeting of ratepayers convened by twenty-five electors under Article XV. of the Land Regulations was held, and a resolution was passed thereat to the effect that the licenses for jinrickshas let for hire be put up to public competition on terms to be stated by the Municipal Council (meaning the said Council for the Foreign Community of Shanghai.)

6.—On the 20th day of May, 1882, and subsequent days the said Council by advertisement in the public daily newspapers invited tenders for licenses to ply jinrickshas for hire from 1st June to 31st December, 1882. The advertisement was as follows:

MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 711.

The Municipal Council for the Foreign Settlements of Shanghai, North of the Yang-king-pang, invite tenders for licenses to ply jinrickshas for hire from 1st June to 31st December, 1882. Tenders for fifteen hundred licenses will be received, on conditions which may be learnt on application at the Secretary's Office. The Council reserve to themselves the right to reject any tender. Tenders must be addressed to the Secretary of the Council, and will be received up to noon on Saturday, the 27th May, 1882.

By order,

R. F. THORBURN,

Secretary

Council Room,

23, Kiangse Road,

Shanghai, 20th May, 1882.

7.—The plaintiffs submit to this Court :

(1).—That the said Council has power to charge such fees only in respect of licenses for jinrickshas as have been authorised at an annual general meeting of ratepayers.

(2).—That neither the said Council nor the ratepayers have power to alter the license fees authorised as aforesaid until the next annual general meeting.

(3).—That the ratepayers have power to authorise the Council to charge license fees only and have no power to authorise them to raise the revenue from licenses in any other manner.

The plaintiffs therefore pray :—

(1).—That the said Council may be enjoined or ordered to cease advertising for tenders and to refrain from any acts altering or tending to alter during the current year, the license fee authorised by the last annual general meeting of ratepayers.

(2).—That in view of the intended immediate action of the said Council as shown by their advertisement an interim injunction or order to the same effect to be in force until after the decision of this Court may be forthwith made.

(3).—That this Court will grant all such further or other relief to the plaintiffs as the nature of the case may require.

(*Signed*) DRUMMOND & LATHAM,
Counsel for the Plaintiffs.

The answer of the above named defendants sheweth :—

1.—That for the purpose of this suit the defendants admit the correctness of the statements contained in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th paragraphs of the petition of the plaintiffs.

2.—In answer to the 7th paragraph of the said petition the defendants say that they have power to charge fees in respect of licenses for jinrickshas other than those which may have been authorised at an annual general meeting of ratepayers provided that any alteration in such license fees be duly sanctioned by the ratepayers.

That the Ratepayers in public meeting duly assembled have power to alter the license fees authorised to be charged at an annual or any general meeting of Ratepayers and that the defendants have power to carry into effect any such alteration in such license fees as the said ratepayers shall duly authorise. That the ratepayers have power to authorise the defendants to raise the revenue from license fees in any manner the said ratepayers may think proper and duly sanction.

3.—And for further answer to the said petition of the plaintiffs the defendants say :—

That the petition of the plaintiffs does not allege that they have been charged any other license fees for their jinrickshas than those fees which were authorised at the Annual General Meeting of Ratepayers and the defendants say that in fact the plaintiffs have not been charged any license fees other than those so authorised.

4.—The defendants further say that the plaintiffs are not entitled as of right to have any licenses for jinrickshas whatever granted to them individually.

5.—For the reasons set forth in the 3rd and 4th paragraphs of this answer the defendants have no *locus standi* before this Court sufficient to justify their application to this Court for the injunction or restraining order mentioned in their said petition.

The defendants therefore ask that the interim injunction granted by this Court on the 26th day of May, 1882, may be dissolved and that the petition of the Plaintiffs may be dismissed with costs.

Dated at Shanghai this 6th day of June, 1882.

(Signed) A. ROBINSON,
Counsel for the Defendants.

Judgment:—

The PRESIDENT said—I will now announce the conclusions we have reached in the case which has been under consideration.—The defendants by their answer admit the statements made in all the paragraphs of the plaintiffs' petition to be correct, except those contained in the 7th or last, which they deny by averring that they have the right under the Land Regulations and the instructions of the ratepayers in public meeting assembled to do the acts complained of; they also aver that the plaintiffs have not sufficient standing before this Court to justify their application for the relief prayed for. Upon the petition and answer, after argument of able Counsel—Messrs. Drummond and Latham for petitioners, and A. Robinson for defendants—the case was submitted for jugdment. As the conclusions reached do not sustain the defendants' view of the case, we will refer to the argument of their able Counsel in the order presented by him. The learned Counsel says "that the Municipal Council can only carry out the instructions given them by the ratepayers, and that when they have done this, this Court will not inquire whether they have done right or wrong." The Council are the agents of the ratepayers selected by them to act as such from year to year, whose duty it is to administer the affairs of the Municipality in accord with the Regulations and instructions of the ratepayers given them from time to time, acting within the scope of their legitimate authority; we say legitimate authority, for certainly the Council will not claim the right to do an illegal act simply because they have been instructed to do so by the ratepayers. He further contends that the authority creating the Court of Consuls gives it no power to issue injunctions against the Council. We cannot however accept this interpretation of Article XXVII of the Land Regulations which provides that "the Executive Committee or Council may sue and be sued in the name of their Secretary or in their corporate capacity or character, and such Committee, Council, or Secretary shall have all the rights and privileges which private complainants have to recover and enforce judgments obtained by them, and shall also incur the obligations which private defendants have in proceedings at law or suits in equity commenced against them, *provided* they shall not be individually liable." From the foregoing language it seems clear that this Court has equity jurisdiction as well as jurisdiction at law; for, how can the Council recover or enforce judgments obtained by them or incur the obligations which private defendants have in suits in equity commenced against them, if the Court which was created to settle differences arising between the Council and private individuals has no equity jurisdiction? Having the authority, it is the duty of the Court to interfere whenever it appears from the petition of a ratepayer or resident that an act is about to be done which is against equity and good cons-

cience, or that in its nature is litigious or vexatious; for in such cases the Court will not leave the petitioner to feel the mischief or the inconvenience of the wrong and to look in vain for redress, but will interpose its authority to restrain the unjustifiable proceeding. It is admitted that the plaintiffs are residents within the Foreign Settlement of Shanghai and are owners of jinrickshas which are licensed by the Council to ply for hire in the said Settlement. This admission clearly gives them a sufficient standing in Court to object to the execution of a policy which not only threatens to interfere with the business which they have hitherto carried on, but threatens the peace of the community, because it is in contravention of the regulations which govern it. The ratepayers and Council have no other or greater powers than those given them by the Land Regulations and Bye-laws which have been approved by the Treaty Consuls, and Diplomatic Representatives, and which when once approved remain in force until repealed by the same authority, and when the Ratepayers devise the ways and means for the Council to carry on the Municipal government, which includes among other things the fixing of license fees, they should conform to the regulations which have been adopted for their guidance. Bye-law XXXIV, which is in perfect accord with the Land Regulations, provides that in order that certain callings and business, including the running of public vehicles, may be carried on within the Settlement, licenses shall first be obtained from the Council; that "in respect of such licenses the Council may impose such conditions and exact such security as the nature of the particular case may require, *and charge such fees in respect thereof as may be authorized at the Annual General Meeting of Ratepayers.*" In pursuance of this Bye-law, the fee for jinrickshas licenses was fixed at $1 at the annual general meeting of ratepayers held on the 24th day of February last, and having been so fixed the ratepayers cannot interfere with it it during the year without amending Bye-law XXXIV, which would require the approval of the Ministers as well as the Consuls. But the learned Counsel for the defendant holds that under the Bye-law in question the ratepayers have the right at any time in public meeting to lower or raise the fees in respect of licenses. If this right were admitted, there still remains undisposed of the fact that it is the duty of the ratepayers under Bye-law XXXIV to fix the fee to be charged, and in this important respect they not only failed to fix it themselves at the special meeting, but they undertake to invite the jinricksha poeple, the interested parties, to fix it. Having so failed to fix a fee to be charged, unless the Council rely upon the instructions given them at the Annual General Meeting, they have no authority at all in the premises.

An attempt to raise revenue for Municipal purposes from licenses by putting them up to public tender is to say the least, novel in the history of Municipal legislation. While the city government of Shanghai, in its organic law, differs in some important respects from similar govenments in other countries, yet there are certain fundamental principles adhered to in the administration of Municipal affairs, which should be adhered to in the administration of the affairs of this Settlement, in so far as they are applicable; and not the least of these is the one which demands that all means adopted for raising the needed revenues should have for their basis that which will secure the greatest uniformity and equality. Fair dealing, as well as public policy demand the enforcement of this principle, and the scheme to raise the revenue by tender being utterly at variance with the rule which secures equality and uniformity as well as being in conflict with the regulations, should not

be enforced. We are of opinion that the regulations make it the duty of the ratepayers at the annual General Meeting to fix license fees, and that as the fee for jinrickshas was so fixed the ratepayers have no authority to change it until the next annual meeting. Judgment is rendered in favour of the plaintiffs accordingly, with their costs of Court in this behalf expended.

Based upon the foregoing judgment it is directed that the interim order issued out of this Court on the 26th day of May last restraining the defendants from taking further proceedings in the matter of jinricksha licenses until after the hearing of this suit be, and the same is hereby, made permanent.

(Signed) O. N. DENNY, *U.S. Consul General*,
P. J. HUGHES, *H.B.M.'s Consul*,
R. VON KRENCKI, *Acting Consul-General for Germany*.
} *Judges of the Court of Consuls.*

STUD.

The contract with Messrs. Sewjee and Symons for the supply of the Mules and Ponies required for Municipal purposes expired on 31st May, and a new one was then made with them for another term of two years, on the same terms as before, but providing for some additional animals.

REMOVAL OF GARBAGE AND SALE OF NIGHT SOIL.

A new contract was made in September for two years, in which arrangements are made for supplying a considerable number of additional coolies for cleaning the streets and alleyways.

MUNICIPAL STAFF.

Assistant Surveyor. — Mr. L. O. Jurgens has been engaged as assistant Surveyor under the usual form of agreement at a salary of Tls. 200 per month.

Telegraph Engineer.—Mr. Bishop's agreement was renewed for another year on 1st March.

Legal Adviser.—An arrangement was made with Mr. A. Robinson to act as Legal adviser to the Council during their year of office.

Nuisance Department.—In compliance with a recommendation from the inspector an additional overseer has been engaged to superintend the cleaning of streets and alleyways in this settlement, and an assistant overseer for Hongkew.

W. C. WARD,—*Chairman.*
D. BRAND.
W. H. DALGLEISH.
R. A. GUBBAY.
C. J. HOLLIDAY.
R. MACKENZIE.
G. J. MORRISON.
A. MYBURGH.
J. ROUSTAN.

R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary.

Council Room, Kiangsi Road,

Shanghai, 1st January, 1883.

REPORT OF THE FIRE COMMISSION

For the year 1882.

The Fire Commission beg to submit the following report of the proceedings of the Fire Department during the year just completed:—

The Board.

In the begining of April Mr. A. McLeod, the Chairman of the Fire Commission, resigned his position in consequence of his intended absence from Shanghai and Mr. A. G. Wood was elected to take the vacant seat at the Board. Mr. A. McLeod, however, returned in December, and Mr. Wood sending in his resignation, the former gentleman was re-elected to serve on the Commission.

Officers.

The following officers were elected by ballot on the 28th December 1881, to serve for the year 1882:—

C. J. Ashley.....*Chief Engineer.*
D. Glass.....*First District Engineer.*
B. A. Clarke .....*Second do.*
E. G. Portier.....*Third do.*

Fires.

A list of the Fires which have occurred during 1882 is, as usual, appended, and it is worth while recording that the year just closed has been characterized by fewer conflagrations than usual.

One however, of unusual magnitude occurred on 4th August, on the premises of the Shanghai Tannery Company on the Pootung side, completely destroying the main and out-buildings before nightfall. The Steam Fire Launch was early on the scene and speedily set to work, but a strong wind which was blowing at the time did much to frustrate all efforts to keep the fire down. A new godown slightly removed from the main building was saved, although it was not till late next day that it was considered out of danger, and the Fire Launch was withdrawn.

The Community are also again indebted to the officers and men of the various Men-of-war which have visited our port during the past year, for their ready and valuable assistance at Fires.

Contributions.

Home Insurance Offices.—The Commission have nothing further to report with respect to them, the position of affairs as mentioned last year remaining precisely the same.

Shanghai Insurance Company.—The Commission have much pleasure in stating that this Native Insurance Company, which commenced operations towards the close of the year, has promised to contribute Tls. 200 yearly towards the expenses of the Fire Department.

Opium and Canton Stores Guilds—All endeavours have so far failed to obtain any subscription from these two guilds, although promises are not withheld from time to time to make a contribution.

Plant.

A new platform and striking apparatus has heen made for the Fire Bell at Central Station, and since the latter has been fitted, the tone of the Bell when the alarm is rung is much improved, A new striking apparatus for the Hongkew Fire Bell is now fast approaching completion, and will much enhance the sound of that bell when in use.

Some 500 feet of Hose and a Hose Reel have been imported from America, and the Victoria Fire Engine has been supplied with two new Hose Reels which the Agents of that Engine have purchased for her through the Department.

The old Manual Engine No. 1 which had been laid up for years and was of no further service to the Department, was sold during the year to the Hankow Municipal Council, after having been put into thorough order and repair. As the Commission had no further use for this Engine, and it was only deteriorating by being laid up, the sale may be considered a satisfactory one.

Accounts.

Statement of accounts is appended shewing a balance in hand on 31st December 1882 of Tls. 226.98.

SHANGHAI FIRE

Statement of Account for the

Receipts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Native Guilds, Subscriptions for current year	...	1,458.00
Agents "Victoria" Fire Engine—Contribution for current year.....	...	1,182.00
Subscription from Taotai for current year.....	...	400.00
French Municipal Council Appropriation	...	1,000.00
Shanghai Municipal Council Appropriation	...	3,500.00
Proceeds of Sale of Manual Engine to Hankow Municipality—less cost of repairs	...	800.00
Blacksmith's work for Shanghai Municipality.....	...	324.76
Sale of 140 feet old carbolized hose to Shanghai Water Works Company.....	...	35.00
		8,699.76

DEPARTMENT.

Year ending 31st December, 1882.

Expenditure.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Balance owing on 1st January, 1882	...	229.29
Salaries, Wages, &c.—		
Secretary	150.00	
Department Engineer.....	1,980.00	
Native Staff—Engineers, Firemen and Watchmen.....	2,219.31	
Blacksmiths, Strikers and Assistants in Shop.	728.04	
		5,077.35
Clothing, painting Helmets, &c.....	89.44	
Coal and Oil, Fuel and Light	298.20	
Repairs, and Appurtenances including new Striking apparatus to Central Station Bell	812.13	
Coolie hire at Fires and Practice.....	248.70	
Material for Blacksmith.....	292.41	
Printing, Stationery and Advertising.....	131.04	
Sundries	261.83	
		2,133.75
Plant—Including new Rubber Hose, and Hose Cart from America.....	.....	1,032.39
Balance in hand on 31st December, 1882.....	. .	226.98
		8,699.76

Estimate for 1883.

The Fire Commission estimate the Receipts and Expenditure for the year as under :—

Receipts.

Native Guilds	Tls.	1,500.00
Agents "Victoria" Fire Engine	„	1,182.00
Shanghai Fire Insurrance Company	„	200.00
The Taotai	„	400.00
French Municipality	„	1,000.00
Shanghai Municipality	„	3,500.00
Work for Shanghai Municipality	„	241.02
Balance in hand on 31st December 1882	„	226.98
Tls.		8,250.00

Expenditure.

Working Account,—

Salaries, Wages, &c.	Tls.	5,100.00
Clothing &c.	„	200.00
Fuel and Light, Coal and Oil	„	375.00
Repairis and Appurtenances	„	800.00
Coolie Hire at Fire and Practice	„	350.00
Material for Blacksmith	„	350.00
Printing, Stationery and Advertising	„	125.00
Sundries &c.	„	253.00
Tls.		7,550.00

Plant,—

New Boiler-tubes, new hose, &c., &c.,	Tls.	700.00
Tls.		8,250.00

A. McLEOD,
Chairman.

C. J. ASHLEY,
Chief Engineer.

R. F. THORBURN,
Secretary, M.C.

A. BOTTU,
Acting Secretary, French M. C.

Members of Fire Commission.

E. A. FABRIS,
Secretary.

Shanghai, 1st January 1883.

FIRE RECORD, 1882.

January 21st.—11.30 A.M. Fire broke out in Tiendong Road near Hónan Road. Five houses destroyed.

February 27th.—10.30 A.M. Fire broke out at No. 45 Tiendóng Road; but was quickly extinguished.

March 28th.—12 NOON. Fire broke out at Messrs. Russell & Co.'s Silk-reeling Factory on Soochow creek, but was soon extinguished.

April 8th.—10 P.M. Fire broke out in an opium shop in Hoopeh Road. One house burnt and two pulled down.

April 12th.—6.20 P.M. Fire broke out in North Honan Road. Three Chinese houses, the Japanese Hotel and six Foreign houses destroyed.

April 20th.—9.20 A.M. Fire reported to have broken out in Messrs. Hall & Holtz store, but proved to be ignition of some spirits of wine from a lighted candle held by a coolie.

April 28th.—9.30 A.M. Fire broke out in Messrs. Fearon Low & Co.'s premises, but was soon extinguished. Caused by contact of stove pipe with wood of roof at back of premises.

August 4th.—12 NOON. Fire broke out at Tannery on the Pootung side, burned fiercely and destroyed main and out-buildings,—a godown only saved.

September 11th.—11 A.M. Fire broke out in village near the Horse Bazaar, but was soon extinguished. Three houses burnt, and one demolished.

FIRE RECORD, 1882.—*Continued.*

December 6th.—11 P.M. Fire broke out in North Kiangse Road, and five Chinese houses were destroyed.

December 6th.—11.30 P.M. Fire broke out in the Nankin Road, No. 145P., but was soon extinguished, though the fire threatened to be of serious proportions at first.

December 16th.—9.20 P.M. Fire broke out in the Pakhoi Road and resulted in four houses being burned, and one pulled down.

December 26th.—6.15 P.M. Fire broke out in the Upper Kwangse Road and four two-storeyed houses were totally burnt and one pulled down.

FINANCIAL

1st January to

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
FOREIGN—			
LAND TAX—4/10ths of 1 per cent on assessed value of land registered in the various Consulates in the names of foreigners, assessment of 1880 ...	.....	.....	31,238.60
General Municipal Rate—			
8 per cent on assessed rental of foreign houses	.....	.....	37,589.72
General Municipal Rate—Native—			
10 per cent on assessed rentals of Chinese houses	.....	.....	84,845.33
Contribution— From H. E. the Taotai towards the expenses of the Settlement	.....	.....	10,244.50
LICENSE FEES.			
Foreign—			
Wine and spirit retailers	.....	1,577.44	
Foreign and Native—			
Billiard and bowling saloons	.....	302.05	
Theatre and concert	.....	610.61	
Livery stable keepers	.....	6,354.50	
Cargo boats	.....	6,458.27	
Native—			
Sellers of foreign liquors	.....	2,033.24	
Water carts	.....	695.74	
Sampans.....	.....	861.79	
Pawn-shops	.....	4,733.69	
Opium-houses	.....	25,118.50	
Wheelbarrows	.....	4,417.79	
Wine-shops.....	.....	1,819.10	
Jin-rik-shas	.....	17,131.73	72,114.45
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	236,032.60

STATEMENT.

31*st December*, 1882.

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
POLICE FORCE.			
Pay—			
Foreigners	.....	24,741.12	
Natives	.....	16,260.81	
		41,001.93	
Amount transferred to Gratuity and Reward Fund	.....	2,000.00	
Deduct—		43,001.93	
For men employed on special service, collection of taxes &c.	.....	3,106.57	
			39,895.36
Medical Aid—			
Medicines	.....	290.17	
Hospital charges	.....	98.50	
			388.67
Rent—			
Louza Station	.....	.....	334.13
Insurance—			
On Central, Hongkew, and district Stations	.....	.....	243.50
Passage Money—			
Amount transferred to Police "Gratuity and Reward Fund" for 4 men entitled to passages home in terms of agreement	.....	600.00	
Passages of two sergeants from H'kong	.....	43.80	
			643.80
Clothing—			
For the whole force	.....	.....	2,808.03
Incidental charges—			
Food and sundries for prisoners	.....	1,089.57	
Fuel gas and oil	.....	2 450.20	
Printing, stationery, and newspapers.	.....	176.49	
Wages of shroff, messengers & coolies.	.....	528.00	
Taxes on houses occupied by married members of the force	.....	79.66	
Chinese Government ground tax	.....	15.89	
Wages of punkah coolies, ice and water	.....	97.95	
Coolie and sampan hire for carrying sick and drunken men	.....	135.67	
Miscellaneous charges	.....	100.47	
Funeral Expenses	.....	65.00	4,738.90
Carried forward	.....	.....	49,052.39

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	236,032.60
POUNDAGE.			
Fines for cattle found straying.....	.....	.....	31.15
LOCK HOSPITAL.			
Fees collected	.....	986.29	
Less paid French Municipal Council.	.....	493.14	
			493.15
NIGHT-SOIL.			
Sale of night-soil	.....	.....	3,125.75
PERMIT FEES.			
Fees for permits to use sunshades over public thoroughfares.....	.....	133.40	
Fees for permits to open roads for the purpose of constructing or repairing drains	.....	502.66	
Carried forward.....	.....	636.06	239,682.65

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	49,052.39
RELIEF OF POOR.			
Distributed during the year to foreign and native poor	.....	.....	257.84
SANITARY.			
Foreign and Native Hospitals—			
General Hospital—Grant for the year	.....	2,000.00	
Hospitals for the Chinese „ „	.....	1,000.00	
			3,000.00
Lock Hospital—			
Pay of Surgeon	.....	600.00	
Wages of constable and watchmen...	.....	203.20	
Taxes on building	.....	24.42	
Medicines, washing, coals, oil &c. ...	.....	21.57	
		849.19	
Less—paid by French Municipal Council.....	.....	124.59	
			724.60
Medical—			
Pay of Officer of Health	.....	500.00	
„ Municipal Surgeon	.....	750.00	
Cost of collecting native death rate returns	.....	126.00	
			1,376.00
Market and Nuisance—			
Pay of Inspector of Nuisances, markets and livery stables.....	.....	2,100.00	
Assistants	.....	1,020.00	
„ at Hongkew	.....	816.00	
Native overseer	.....	96.00	
		4,032.00	
Labour—			
Removing night soil and garbage and sweeping streets	.....	5,393.26	
Extra scavengers cleaning sinks and removing sand from side channels	.....	2,730.68	
Weeding roads	.....	77.46	
Watchmen for preventing nuisances.	.....	282.31	
Hire of Jinrikshas, and taxes on employés houses	.....	94.19	
Stationery and Miscellaneous charges	.....	72.02	
Disinfectants	.....	298.58	
Watering roads (the Bubbling Well road included)	.....	4,765.53	17,746.03
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	72,156.86

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	636.06	239,682.65
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.			
Fees for making tracings of properties ...	.....	52.65	688.71
TELEGRAPH & TELEPHONE FEES.			
Paid by owners of private lines for use of Council's poles	.....	425.00	
Fees on Telephone poles.....	.....	79.35	504.35
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	240,875.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	72,156.86
LIGHTING.			
Gas for the settlement and the Bubbling Well road.....	.....	15,387.69	
Electric Light, 10 lamps on the Bund from 12th October to 31st December.	.....	305.38	
			15,693.07
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.			
Pay—Foreign Staff.			
Surveyor	.....	3,600.00	
Assistant Surveyor, 8 months	.....	1,600.00	
Assistant	.....	780.00	
2 Overseers	.....	1,789.42	
Gratuity to overseer on leaving the Councils Service.....	.....	250.00	
Temporary assistants.....	.....	190.83	
		8,210.25	
Pay—Native Staff.			
Office Writer 426.13	.....		
Tracer 330.00	.....		
Foreman 210.00	.....		
Carpenter..... 144.00	.....		
Office boy 84.00	.....		
Water coolie 24.01	.....	1,218.14	
Rent—			
Of ground on the Soochow creek and at Hongkew for storing road materials	.....	557.50	
Insurance on office furniture and instruments	.....	10.00	
Coals and Gas	.....	30.63	
Stationery, printing, newspapers and office necessaries	.....	472.86	
Hongkew Survey—			
Drawing desk, instruments, labour, &c.	.....	264.22	
			10,763.60
TELEGRAPH LINES.			
Maintenance of all lines by contract	.....	500.00	
Alterations and repairs.....	.....	81.00	
			581.00
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	99,194.53

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Bronght forward.....	.....	.....	240,875.71
CEMETERIES.			
For 29 vaults	.....	290.00	
For 60 grave spaces	.....	135.00	
			425.00
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	99,194.53
CEMETERIES.			
Pay of Sexton for all Cemeteries, and allowance for chair coolies	.....	237.74	
Pay of Gardeners for care of all Cemeteries and Cathedral compound	.....	652.66	
Chinese Government ground tax.....	.....	71.04	
Repairs to all Cemeteries.....	.....	223.16	
Cost of raising, turfing and laying out a new section	.....	1,366.14	
Balance of contract outstanding 30th December, 1882	.....	500.00	
			3,050.74
OUTSIDE ROADS.			
Maintenance and repairs	.....	2,455.04	
Chinese Government ground tax.....	.....	32.45	
Building 3 culverts Sinza, Siccawei and Markham roads	.....	467.90	
Repairs to drains	.....	133.42	
„ bundings	.....	175.80	
15,355 *Square feet Land* for extending bunding on Jessfield road.....	.....	22.05	
Trees	.....	206.63	
Repairs to bridges	.....	37.53	
Widening the Bubbling Well road, on the South side from the Skew bridge to Carters road—			
1⅓ mows of land..... 850.00			
allowance for alterations ... 365.00			
removing walls and transplanting trees 448.58			
altering line of Skew bridge 210.93			
		1,874.51	
Raising Carter road from Bubbling Well road to Sinza road.....	.....	86.02	
			5,491.35
PUBLIC WORKS.			
Bridges—			
General repairs 1,981.48	.....		
Carried forward... 1,981.48	.....	.....	107,736.62

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.		Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward...	1,981.48	.....	.....	107,736.62
PUBLIC WORKS.—*Continued.*				
Bridges—				
Yang-king-pang creek, contribution towards cost of bridge between Kiangse and Honan roads	100.00	.....		
South Kiangse road, iron bridge half cost, contract outstanding 31st Dec., 1882	2,750.00	.....		
Half cost of temporary wooden bridge.....	94.00	.....		
			4,925.48	
Buildings, general repairs		.....	1,599.88	
Bundings, general repairs.....		.....	67.46	
Latrines, general repairs		.....	48.66	
Fire Wells, general repairs		.....	14.18	
Drainage—				
Nanking road, from Fuhkien to Yangtsze road, contract outstanding 31st Dec., 1881, since paid.....		4,820.00		
North Szechuen road from Tiendong road to Soochow creek	1,567.23			
Yunan road from Canton road to Yang-king-pang creek.....	2,116.12			
Pekin road, from Quangse road to upper Yuen-ming-yuen road	1,071.80			
Honan road, rebuilding portion of drain near Sung kiang road	260,50			
Hanbury road, from the creek to Woosuug road. Contract outstanding, 30th December, 1882	860.00			
Seward road, from Hongkew creek to Hanbury road	1,500.00			
Seward road, from Hongkew creek to Yuen-fong road. Contract outstanding, 30th December, 1882.....	3,054.00			
Carried forward...	10,429.65	4,820.00	6,655.66	107,736.62

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.		Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward...	10,429.65	4,820.00	6,655.66	107,736.62
PUBLIC WORKS.—*Continued.*				
Woosung road, from Hanbury road to the Hongkew creek	1,500.00			
Balance of contract outstanding 30th Dec., 1882	1,768.00			
Yuen-fong road, from Broadway to Seward road, contract outstanding 30th Dec., 1882	1,184.00			
Laying drain pipes—				
Upper Kwangse road, Nanking to Ningpo road	236.00			
Yunan road, between, Chefoo & Ningpo road	221.93			
Foochow & Kiukiang „	163.97			
„ „ Swatow „	86.49			
Nanking „ Kiukiang „	26.66			
„ „ Hankow „	187.92			
Kiukiang road, from Defence to Yunan	243.68			
Foochow road, from Defence to lower Kwangse	387.11			
Between lower Kwangse and Chekiang	120.27			
Nanking Road, between Shantung and Fuhkien roads	91.66			
New Boone Road, between Chapoo and Woosung roads	167.73			
Hoopeh Road, from Sungkiang to Hoihow roads	265.11			
Pakhoi Road, from Fuhkien to Hoihow roads	331.69			
Pakhoi Road, from Lower Kwangse to Defence roads	97.77			
Pakhoi Road, between Yunnan and Defence roads	181.77			
Sung Kiang Loong, between Hoopeh and Chekiang roads	49.42			
Soochow Road, from Upper Yuen Ming Yuen to Szechuen roads	244.98			
Carried forward...	17,985.81	4,820.00	6,655.66	107,736.62

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.		Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward...	17,985.81	4,820.00	6,655.66	107,736.62
PUBLIC WORKS—*Continued.*				
Soochow Road, from Szechuen to Kiangse roads	191.78			
Kwangse Road, between Newchwang and Pekin roads ...	127.22			
Repairs and alterations	538.45			
		.....	23,663.26	
Landing Stages—				
Hankow Road, building hard wood jetty	359.70			
General repairs	2,615.97			
		.....	2,975.67	
Roads—				
Granite chips, sand and broken bricks	18,793.62			
Granite blocks for curbs and side-channels	3,065.24			
Laying and repairing chip-pavement	2,652.05			
Labour making and repairing roads	5,623.51			
Labour laying and repairing curbs and side-channels...	490.31			
Keeping the Council's compound in order	105,86			
Trees	175,26			
Repairing slope and cutting grass, Bund foreshore ...	185.16			
Miscellaneous charges	51.35			
		.....	31,142.36	
Widening and improving roads—				
Hankow Road—				
Rent of land forming portion of foot path in front of Chart. Mer. Bank	100.00			
Yuen-fong Road—				
About 2*m.* 4*f.* 8*l.* 9*h.* of land to make a road 30 feet wide from Broadway to Seward road—Outstanding 30th December, 1882.	3,733.50			
Carried forward...	3,833.50	4,820.00	64,436.95	107,736.62

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.		Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward...	3,833.50	4,820.00	64,436.95	107,736.62
PUBLIC WORKS.—*Continued.*				
Swatow Road—				
Raising 286 fong of road, between Defence and lower Kwangse Road	100.10			
Seward road, extension—				
18*m.* 4*f.* 3*l.* 3*h.* of land cost	3,686.60			
Compensation to families removed, loss of crops, &c.	4,142.52			
	7,829.12			
Less paid in 1881, as per Report page 162	5,811.32			
	2,017.80			
160 sq. feet of land corner of Nanzing road	48.00			
Small strip of land in Whakee road	50.00			
Szechuen Road—				
Rent of portion of lot 40, T.D. 18 for widening road, from 31st Oct., 1881, to 31st Oct., 1883	300.00			
Paid for portion of lot 40, T.D. 18— 0*m.* 0*f.* 9*l.* 1*h.* at the junction of Pekin road	700.00			
Cost of rebuilding walls, &c.	161.70			
	1,161.70			
Shantung Road—				
Paid for portion of lot 404, T.D. 397—0*m.* 0*f.* 8*l.* 7*h.* ...	478.50			
Kiukiang Road—				
Paid for portion of lot 327b. T.D. 91—0*m.* 4*f.* 4*l.* 4*h.*.....	710.40			
Carried forward...	8,400.00	4,820.00	64,436.95	107,736.62

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.			Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
			Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward...		8,400.00	4,820.00	64,436.95	107,736.62
PUBLIC WORKS.—*Continued.*					
Kiangse Road—					
Paid for portion of lot 36, T.D. 37—0*m.* 3*f.* 8*l.* 6*h.* ...	3,500.00				
Rent of land forming portion of foot path in front of Trinity Cathedral	150.00				
		3,650.00			
Foochow Road—					
Paid for portion of lots 26 and 26a., T.D. 66 and 75—0*m.* 1*f.* 3*l.* 4*h.* ...	536.00				
For alterations to buildings	200.00				
		736.00			
Paid for portion of lots 22d. and 1217, T.D. 230 and 1210—0*m.* 1*f.* 0*l.* 2*h.*.	800.00				
Paid for 50 feet corner of Foochow and Defence roads.....	25.28				
		825.28			
Transfer fees.....		22.60	.....	13,633.88	78,070.88
PUBLIC GARDEN.					
Maintenance of Garden (for details see Committee's report)			.....	660.86	
Repairs to walls, gates, lodges and paths .			.....	177.18	
Cost of building new bulb house.....			.....	210.00	
Painting and repairing notice boards			.....	62.97	
24 chairs for band stand, varnishing and repairing seats.....			.....	51.23	
Flowers, flower pots, &c.			.....	60.09	
Cost of new lawn mower, and repairs to old one			.....	116.83	
Miscellaneous charges			.....	25.09	1,364.25
Carried forward...			4,820.00	.....	187,171.70

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	241,300.71
INTEREST.			
On Tls. 15,000 Municipal Debentures forming "Special Deposit".....	.....	1,200.00	
On daily balance at Bank.....	.....	117.43	
Premium on 600 Debentures issued	.....	2,608.87	
			3,926.30
SINKING FUND.			
Interest on balance.....	.....	.....	294.47
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	245,521.48

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	4,820.00	.....	187,171.70
SHANGHAI MUSEUM.			
Contribution	.....	.....	500.00
SHANGHAI LIBRARY.			
Contribution	.....	.....	100.00
ORPHANAGE FRENCH CONCESSION.			
Contribution	.....	.....	1,000.00
STUD.			
Animals for public works'.....	.....	2,963.00	
Animals for removing garbage, &c.....	.....	5,669.76	
Animals for Surveyor, Superintendent and Inspector of Police, Inspector of Nuisances, and Collector of Rates and Taxes.....	.....	876.00	
Oil and leather washers for carts.....	.....	187.52	
			9,696.28
INTEREST.			
On Debentures Loans of 1875 and 1878...	.....	5344.00	
„ „ „ „ 1882 (3 months)	.....	1050.00	
„ Police Gratuity and Reward fund.....	.....	1010.47	
„ „ Savings Bank	.....	60.04	
			7,464.51
SINKING FUND.			
Amount deposited at Hongkong & Shanghai Bank—1 year from 31st March, 1882 to 31st March, 1883, at 5 per cent per annum	.....	3,000.00	
Interest on fund from 30th September, 1881 to 30th September 1882	.....	294.47	
			3,294.47
FIRE DEPARTMENT.			
Contribution	.....	3,500.00	
Extra contribution.....	.....	800.00	
Painting Bell towers, and repairing yard of Engine house	.....	109.16	4,409.16
Carried forward.....	4,820.00	.....	213,636.12

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	245,521.48
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	245,521.48

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.		Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward		4,820.00	.....	213,636.12
SECRETARIAT.				
Pay—Foreign.				
Secretary	4,240.00			
Accountant	3,000.00			
Assistant, Tax office	2,400.00			
„ General office.....	2,100.00			
Collector and overseer of rates	1,800.00			
Foreign collectors of native rates and license fees	1,910.00			
			15,450.00	
Pay—Native.				
Linguist and assistant'	840.00			
Compradore and assistants .	1,997.89			
Chinese tax-writers.....	468.00			
Sampan man employed in the collection of sampan tax.....	96.00			
Godown-man	102.00			
Watchman at Council house	96.00			
			3,599.89	
Native Servants—				
For Municipal offices	360.00			
Coolie for numbering Chinese houses	36.00			
Punkah and water coolies...	53.42		449.42	
				19,499.31
TOWN BAND.				
Pay of Bandmaster		.....	1,575.00	
„ „ Secretary.....		.....	150.00	
„ „ Musicians		.....	4,416.53	
For Extra Services of Musicians at private performances of the Band.....		.....	698.76	
Expenses obtaining new musicians from Manila, advances, &c., and passages home of those discharged		.....	611.93	
Registration fees		.....	29.52	
Furniture and bedding		.....	29.86	
Wages of coolie		.....	30.66	
Music paper, and copying music		.....	37.86	
Carried forward.....		4,820.00	7,580.12	233,135.43

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward..	.....	.....	245,521.48
LAND AND BUILDINGS.			
Rent of Lock Hospital	.....	64.08	
Rentals from houses on Maloo property			
"Public market site."	.....	84.75	
			148.83
LOCAL POST OFFICE.			
Subscriptions for the year.....	.....	3,030.00	
Postage on unpaid letters and papers.....	.....	575.74	
Expresses circulated	.....	520.50	
Sale of stamps and post cards.....	.....	509.45	
			4,635.69
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	250,306.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	4,820.00	7,580.12	233,135.43
TOWN BAND.—*Continued.*			
Music books, and books of instructions ...	.....	84.19	
Coolie and carriage hire	.....	137.10	
Advertising and programmes	.....	135.79	
Rent of house for band practice	.....	215.43	
Uniforms	.....	119.66	
Repairing and tuning piano	.....	24.78	
New instruments and repairs to old ones..	.....	286.52	
Medical attendance, hospital charges and medicines	... ..	121.36	
Expenses of concert at French Municipal Hall and Masonic Hall	.....	17,13	
Amount paid Recreation Fund Trustees for use of musical instruments.....	.....	100.00	
19 brass music stands	.....	150.00	
Coals, taxes and miscellaneous charges ...	.....	20.63	
		8,992.71	
Deduct amount received for services of band 1,918.89	.....		
From French Municipal Council, contribution for 1881 & 1882. 2,000.00	.....	3,918.89	
			5,073.82
LAND AND BUILDINGS.			
Laying stone floor to Engine house, Kiangse Road	.....	97.08	
Repairing floor of Bell Tower	.....	60.00	
Building new district Police Station, Foochow Road.....	.....	2,878.73	
Purchase of 7*m*. 5*f*. 5*l*. 0*h*. of land, lot 1305 for a public market site	.....	25,000.00	
Transfer fee.....	.....	3.64	
			28,039.45
LOCAL POST OFFICE.			
Postmaster	.....	1,400.00	
Assistant	.....	240.00	
Delivery coolies, jin-rik-sha coolies and sampan man	.....	1,662,57	
Agencies at Swatow, Foochow and Pagoda Anchorage.....	.....	291.13	
Coals and gas.....	.....	61.31	
Invoice of stamps	.....	94.17	
Mail bags, newspapers, advertising, printing and stationery	.....	296.80	
Miscellaneous charges.....	.....	111.08	
			4,157.06
Carried forward.....	4,820.00	.....	270,405.76

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	250,306.00
Carried forward.....	.....	.....	250,306.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	4,820.00	.....	270,405.76
GENERAL CHARGES.			
Legal expenses.....	.....	1,285.82	
Audit fee.....	.....	250.00	
Coals and gas	.....	226.76	
Stationery, printing, advertising and newspapers	.....	1,705.70	
House numbers and license cards.....	.....	639.86	
Postage	.....	33.31	
Insurance...	.....	175.00	
Taxes on employés houses, string for copper cash, repairs to office furniture jin-rik-sha hire and miscellaneous charges.....	.....	301.23	
			4,617.68
VOLUNTEERS.			
Pay of armourer, coolies and markers at rifle butts.....	.....	1,142.54	
Pay of Light Horse instructor.....	.....	135.00	
Printing, stationery and advertising	.....	485.98	
Repairs and alterations to targets, rifle range, and markers house.....	.....	201.79	
Subscription to the National Rifle Association London	.....	40.40	
Chinese Government ground tax.....	.....	21.39	
Forage and farriery for artillery ponies...	.....	470.84	
Substitute Challenge Cup and Gold Cross	.....	92.36	
Cost of ammunition used during the year	.....	863.76	
„ refreshment supplied on field days	.....	243.72	
„ uniforms.....	.....	1,136.97	
Contribution to the Gymnasium for use of the building for drill purposes	.....	149.92	
Repairs to armoury, coals, repairs to harness, and miscellaneous charges	.....	318.02	
			5,302.69
PUBLIC MARKET BUILDING.			
Amount Deposited in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for six months ending 30th June, 1883	.....	.....	5,000.00
Carried forward.....	4,820.00	.....	285,326.13

REVENUE.	To 31st Dec. 1881.	To 31st Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	.....	250,306.00
MUNICIPAL STOCK & STORES.			
Miscellaneous--Drain pipes, coals, plans, cartridges and condemned plant fire Engine, &c.	.....	.....	9,800.14
MUNICIPAL LOANS 1882.			
For 600 Debentures at Tls. 100 each.....	.....	.....	60,000.00
OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS, 1881.			
The Outstanding contract on 31st Dec., 1881 was estimated and placed to the Expenditure of that year	.....	4,820.00	
The amount paid has been	.....	4,810.40	
Saving credited to the year .	.....	.....	9.60
		.....	.....
Showing TOTAL RECEIPTS for outgoing Council's term of office	.....	Tls.	320,115.74
Depreciation on Property and Stores		Tls.	10,000.00

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EXPENDITURE.	Incurred by Council 1881.	Incurred 1st Jan. to 30th Dec. 1882.	TOTAL.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	4,820.00	.....	285,326.13
MUNICIPAL STOCK & STORES.			
Coals for use of departments	.....	.491.00	
Nuisance, purchase of and repairs to plant	.....	2,261.56	
Public Works—purchase of and repairs to plant	.....	1,486.80	
Purchase of harness and repairs to traps.	.....	468.22	
Drain pipes	.....	8,756.29	
Volunteers–Cartridges, targets, gun wheels, Blakely gun, harness &c.	.....	2,486.90	
Furniture and gas fixture	.....	225.76	
Public street lamps and repairs	.....	438.85	
Public garden seats	.....	91.50	
Insurance	.....	26.98	16,733.86
	4,820.00	.....	302,059.99
Deduct outstanding 1881	.....	.....	4,820.00
			297,239.99
Deficit 31*st December*, 1881.....	.....	.....	11,555.13
Showing EXPENDITURE for outgoing Council's term of office.....	.....	Tls.	308,795.12
SURPLUS of Income over Expenditure ...	.....		11,320.62
			320,115.74
General Balance—Depreciation on Property & Stores written off		Tls.	10,000.00

Audited and found correct,

CRAWFORD D. KERR,

Auditor.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

POLICE GRATUITY AND REWARD FUND.

Balance on hand, 31st December, 1881	Tls.	26,683.72
Fines and sales of unclaimed property	„	363.47
Transferred from Police pay	„	2,000.00
„ „ „ for four men entitled to passages home	„	600.00
Interest	„	1,010.47
	Tls.	30,657.66

Books and Newspapers for the Force	Tls.	54.17
Grants made to members leaving the Force	„	2,652.00
„ „ „ „ on account of gratuities due	„	2,200.00
Passage paid for member leaving the Force	„	150.00
	Tls.	5,056.17
Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	25,601.49
	Tls.	30,657.66

POLICE SAVINGS BANK.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	794.09
Deposited by members of the Force	„	416.01
Interest on Fund at 8 per cent. per annum	„	59.03
	Tls.	1,269.13

Amounts withdrawn	Tls.	356.36
Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	912,77
	Tls.	1,269.13

FOREIGN LIQUOR SELLERS.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	396.54	Withdrawn by Foreigners closing Taverns	Tls.	117,64
Deposited by Foreigners opening Taverns	„	43.74	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	322.64
	Tls.	440.28		Tls.	440.28

NATIVE LIQUOR SELLERS.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	389.60	Withdrawn by Natives closing Taverns	Tls.	21.87
Deposited by Natives opening Taverns	„	51.97	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	419.70
	Tls.	441.57		Tls.	441.57

NATIVE LIVERY STABLE KEEPERS.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	274.32	Withdrawn by Natives closing Stables	Tls.	20.89
Deposited by Natives opening Stables	„	72.81	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	326.24
	Tls.	347.13		Tls.	347.13

LOCAL POST OFFICE DELIVERY COOLIES' SECURITY.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	85.49	Amount withdrawn	Tls.	2.65
Account deposited	„	5.84	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	88.68
	Tls.	91.33		Tls.	91.33

LOCAL POST OFFICE COOLIES FINE FUND

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	5.21	Amount distributed	Tls.	5.58
Fines during the year	„	1.10	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	.73
	Tls.	6.31		Tls.	6.31

LOCAL POST OFFICE NON-SUBSCRIBERS' DEPOSIT.

Balance on hand 31st, December, 1881	Tls.	151.02	Transferred to Non-Subscribers Postage, accounts	Tls.	444.59
Deposited by Non-Subscribers	„	415.18	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	121.61
	Tls.	566.20		Tls.	566.20

SHANGHAI VOLUNTEERS PRIZE FUND.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	177.00	Payments	Tls.	552.41
Collected for Prizes	„	620.56	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	„	245.15
	Tls.	797.56		Tls.	797.56

GRANITE CHIP CONTRACTOR.

Security for Supply of Road Materials 1882	Tls.	1,050.00	Payment	Tls.	1,050.00

SINKING FUND.

Balance on hand 31st December, 1881	Tls.	4,337.81	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	Tls.	7,632.28
31st March, 1882, Deposited in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	„	3,000.00			
Interest to 30th September, 1882 ...	„	294.47			
	Tls.	7,632.28		Tls.	7,632.28

NATIVE BILLIARD AND BOWLING SALOONS.

Deposited by Natives opening Billiard Saloons	Tls.	43.62	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	Tls.	43.62

PUBLIC MARKET BUILDING.

Amount deposited in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for six months ending 30th June, 1883.....	Tls.	5,000.00	Balance on hand 30th December, 1882	Tls.	5,000.00

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Members of Finance, Rate and Appeal Committee.

LAND, BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

	Tls.	Tls.
Balance as per last Report (page 184)	.....	191,565.48
Land and Buildings—		
7*m.* 5*f.* 5*l.* 0*h.* of land in the Maloo, lot 1,305, and all buildings thereon "Public Market site" 25,000.00		
Transfer fee 3.64	25,003.64	
Cost of building district Police Station in the Foochow road	2,878.73	
Laying stone floor to Engine house, Kiangse road.....	97.08	
Repairing floor of Bell tower	60.00	
		28,039.45
Plant Stores and Rolling Stock—		
For Public Works	1,486.80	
„ Nuisance Branch.....	2,261.56	
„ Coals and Miscellaneous Stores.....	517.98	
„ Drain pipes	8,756.29	
„ Furniture and Gas Fixtures.....	225.76	
„ Public Street Lamps	438.85	
„ Public Garden Seats.....	91.50	
„ Harness and Trap Repairs.....	468.22	
	14,246.96	
Shanghai Volunteer Corps—		
For Cartridges, Targets Gun Wheels, &c..	2,486.90	
	16,733.86	
Deduct—		
For sale of Cartridges, Drain Pipes, Fire Engine, and Condemned Plant.....9,800.14		
Rent of Lock Hospital..... 64.08		
„ from Maloo Property 84.75	9,948.97	6,784.89
		226,389.82
Depreciation written off.....	.....	10,000.00
Tls.....	.....	216,389.82

Audited and found correct,

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Auditor.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF

From 1st January, 1882,

RECEIPTS.

Receipts to 30th December, 1882	320,115.74
Receipts on Deposit Accounts	6,753.80
Tls.....	326,869.54

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Municipality and certify that the foregoing figures are in accordance therewith.

CRAWFORD D. KERR,

Auditor.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

to 30th December, 1882.

EXPENDITURE.

1st January, 1882.—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—Amount Overdrawn.....	5,816.28	
Less—Cash in hands of Compradore.....	720.09	
		5,096.19
Expenditure to 30th December, 1882.....	302,059.99	
Less—Outstanding Contracts	13,849.50	288,210.49
Payments on Deposit Accounts.....	.....	7,628.16
Stock & Stores—Value of cartridges condemned and written off.....	.....	324.08
Cash Balance—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	24,068.10	
In hands of Compradore	1,542.52	25,610.62
Tls.....		326,869.54

WILLLIAM H. DALGLIESH,
A. MYBURGH,
J. ROUSTAN,

Members of the Finance, Rate and Appeal Committee.

BALANCE

DECEMBER

ASSETS.

LAND, BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY ACCOUNT	216,389.82
SPECIAL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	15,000.00
SINKING FUND	7,632.28
TAX SUSPENSE ACCOUNT	1,470.60
SUSPENSE ACCOUNT	275.00
PUBLIC MARKET BUILDING ACCOUNT	5,000.00
CASH IN HANDS OF COMPRADORE	1,542.52
IN HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK	24,068.10
Tls.	271,378.32

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Municipality and certify that the foregoing statements are in accordance therewith.

CRAWFORD D. KERR,
Auditor.

SHEET.

30TH, 1882.

LIABILITIES.

MUNICIPAL LOAN OF 1875	42,800.00	
Do. 1878	24,000.00	
Do. 1882	60,000.00	
		126,800.00
OUTSTANDING CONTRACTS 1882.....	.....	13,849.50
DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS, as under, viz:—		
Police Gratuity and Reward Fund	25,601.49	
Do. Savings Bank	912.77	
Native Livery Stable Keepers	326.24	
Do. Liquor Sellers.....	419.70	
Do. Billiard Saloons	43.62	
Foreign Liquor Sellers	322.64	
Volunteers Prize Fund	245.15	
Local Post Office Non-Subscribers	121.61	
Do. Delivery Coolies.....	88.68	
Do. Fine Fund	0.73	
		28,082.63
		168,732.13
GENERAL BALANCE.....		102,646.19
Tls.....		271,378.32

WILLIAM H. DALGLIESH,
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Members of Finance, Rate and Appeal Committee.

STATEMENT COMPARING THE ACTUAL RECEIPTS ESTIMATE (AS PER BUDGET)

RECEIPTS.	Balance ₱ General Ledger 31st Dec. 1882.	Deduct Receipts 1881. Account.	Showing Actual Receipts on Budget to 31st Dec. 1882.	Original Estimate.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Land Tax	31,238 60	..	31,238.60	31,290.00	..	51.40
General Municipal Rate—*Foreign*	37,589.72	..	37,589.72	36,000.00	1,589.72	..
" " " —*Native*	84,845.33	..	84,845.33	81,000.00	3,845.33	..
Taotai's Contribution	10,244.50	..	10,244.50	10,200.00	44.50	..
Foreign Liquor Sellers Licenses	1,577.44	..	1,577.44	2,100.00	..	522.56
do. and Native Billiard and Bowling Saloons	302.05	..	302.05	250.00	52.05	..
Foreign and Native Theatres	610.61	..	610.61	500.00	110.61	..
do. Livery Stable License	6,354.50	..	6,354.50	5,700.00	654.50	..
do. Cargo Boat License	6,458.27	..	6,458.27	6,600.00	..	141.73
Native Water Carts	695.74	..	695.74	600.00	95.74	..
do. Liquor Sellers	2,033.24	..	2,033.24	2,000.00	33.24	..
do. Sampans	861.79	..	861.79	800.00	61.79	..
do. Pawn Shops	4,733.69	..	4,733 69	3,000.00	1,733.69	..
do. Opium Shops	25,118.50	..	25,118.50	23,500.00	1,618.50	..
do. Wheelbarrows	4,417.79	..	4,417.79	4,200.00	217.79	..
do. Wine Shops	1,819.10	..	1,819.10	1,700.00	119.10	..
do. Jin-Rik-Shas	17,131.73	..	17,131.73	13,300.00	3,831.73	..
Night Soil	3,125.75	..	3,125.75	2,900.00	225.75	..
Telegraph and Telephone Fees	504.35	..	504.35	500.00	4.35	..
Poundage	31.15	..	31.15	..	31.15	..
Lock Hospital Fees	493.15	..	493.15	500.00	..	6.85
Fees for permits for connecting with public Drains, and for erecting Sunshades, Tracing of properties	688.71	..	688.71	350.00	338.71	..
Cemetery Fees	425.00	..	425.00	350.00	75.00	..
Local Post Office	4,635.69	..	4,635.69	4,300.00	335.69	..
Municipal Stock and Stores	9,800.14	..	9,800.14	5,000.00	4,800.14	..
Land and Buildings	148.83	..	148.83	..	148.83	..
Sinking Fund	294.47	..	294.47	300.00	..	5.53
Interest	3,926.30	..	3,926.30	1,450.00	2,476.30	..
Outstanding Accounts, 1881	9.60	..	9.60	..	9.60	..
Municipal Loans, 1882	60,000.00	..	60,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	..
Unappropriated Balance 1882	..	..	1,374.87	..	1,374.87	..
	320,115.74	..	321,490.61	268,390.00	53,828.68	728.07
Depreciation on Municipal Stock, Stores and Buildings	10,000.00	..	10,000.00	10,000.00	..	:
Tls...	330,115.74	..	331,490.61	278,390.00	53,828.68	728.07

AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1882 WITH THE ORIGINAL FOR THE SAME PERIOD.

EXPENDITURE.	Disbursements per General Ledger. 31st Dec. 1882.	Deduct Disbursements 1881 Account.	Actual Expenditure on Budget to 31st Dec. 1882.	Estimate 1882.	Increase.	Decrease.
POLICE—	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Pay—(Including amount transferred to Gratuity Fund)	39,895.36	..	39,895.36	41,500.00	..	1,604.64
Clothing, Rent, Insurance, Medicines and Incidental expenses	9,157.03	..	9,157.03	9,900.00	..	742.97
RELIEF OF POOR	257.84	..	257.84	300.00	..	42.16
SANITARY—						
Foreign and Native Hospitals	3,000.00	..	3,000.00	3,000.00	..	..
Lock Hospital	724.60	..	724.60	750.00	..	25.40
Medical	1,376.00	..	1,376.00	1,300.00	76.00	..
Nuisance and Market	17,746.03	..	17,746.03	18,000.00	..	253.97
LIGHTING	15,693.07	..	15,693.07	16,200.00	..	506.93
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE—						
Salaries	9,428.39	..	9,428.39	7,610.00	1,818.39	..
Rent of ground for storing road materials	557.50	..	557.50	1,000.00	..	442.50
Insurance, Fuel and Light, Newspapers and Office Necessaries	513.49	..	513.49	340.00	173.49	..
HONGKEW SURVEY—						
Labour &c.	264.22	..	264.22	..	264.22	..
TELEGRAPH LINES	581.00	..	581.00	600.00	..	19.00
CEMETERIES AND CATHEDRAL COMPOUND	3,050.74	..	3,050.74	2,800.00	250.74	..
OUTSIDE ROADS	5,491.35	..	5,491.35	4,500.00	991.35	..
PUBLIC GARDEN	1,364.25	..	1,364.25	1,000.00	364.25	..
PUBLIC WORKS—						
Bridges	4,925.48	..	4,925.48	5,500.00	..	574.52
Land for depositing garbage	..	..	..	1,000.00	..	1,000.00
Buildings (Cost of District Police Station included in "Land and Buildings."	1,599.88	..	1,599.88	5,000.00	..	3,400.12
Bundings	67.46	..	67.46	2,000.00	..	1,932.54
Drainage	23,663.26	4,820.00	18,843.26	20,700.00	..	1,856.74
Landing Stages	2,975.67	..	2,975.67	3,000.00	..	24.33
Roads	44,776.24	..	44,776.24	41,000.00	3,776.24	..
Fire Wells	14.18	..	14.18	200.00	..	185.82
Urinals	48.66	..	48.66	..	48.66	..
SHANGHAI MUSEUM	500.00	..	500.00	500.00	..	..
SHANGHAI LIBRARY	100.00	..	100.00	100.00	..	..
ORPHANAGE, FRENCH CONCESSION	1,000.00	..	1,000.00	1,000.00	..	..
STUD—*Animal Labour*	9,696.28	..	9,696.28	10,000.00	..	303.72
INTEREST	7,464.51	..	7,464.51	7,450.00	14.51	..
SINKING FUND	3,294.47	..	3,294.47	3,300.00	..	5.53
FIRE DEPARTMENT	4,409.16	..	4,409.16	3,500.00	909.16	..
SECRETARIAT—						
Including collection of taxes	19,499.31	..	19,499.31	19,540.00	..	40.69
LAND AND BUILDINGS	28,039.45	..	28,039.45	..	28,039.45	..
TOWN BAND	5,073.82	..	5,073.82	4,000.00	1,073.82	..
GENERAL CHARGES—						
Legal Expenses	1,285.82	..	1,285.82	1,500.00	..	214.18
Audit Fee	250.00	..	250.00	250.00	..	..
Fuel and Light	226.76	..	226.76	250.00	..	23.24
Insurance	175.00	..	175.00	200.00	..	25.00
House and Vehicle Numbers	673.17	..	673.17	600.00	73.17	..
Stationery, Printing, Advertising, Postages	1,705.70	..	1,705.70	2,300.00	..	594.30
Incidental Charges	301.23	..	301.23	200.00	101.23	..
LOCAL POST OFFICE	4,157.06	..	4,157.06	3,770.00	387.06	..
VOLUNTEER CORPS	5,302.69	..	5,302.69	3,000.00	2,302.69	..
MUNICIPAL STOCK AND STORES	16,733.86	..	16,733.86	6,800.00	9,933.86	..
PUBLIC MARKET BUILDING ACCOUNT	5,000.00	..	5,000.00	..	5,000.00	..
DEFICIT 1881	11,555.13	..	11,555,13	11,555.13	..	..
	313,615.12	4,820.00	308,795.12	267,015.13	55,598.29	13,818.30
MUNICIPAL STOCK AND STORES ACCOUNT, DEPRECIATION ON	10,000.00	..	10,000.00	10,000.00	..	..
Tls.	323,615.12	4,820.00	318,795.12	277,015.13	55,598.29	13,818.30

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

ESTIMATE

FOR THE

YEAR COMMENCED 1ST JANUARY, 1883.

AND

ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1883,

WITH

REMARKS

By the Council for the Foreign Community of Shanghai of 1882.

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1883.

ESTIMATE FOR THE

MUNICIPAL YEAR

From 1*st January*, 1883, *to* 31*st December*, 1883,

WITH REMARKS BY THE

COUNCIL FOR 1882.

To be taken in connection with the General Report for the Year ending 31st December, 1882.

The Council for 1882 have now to submit to the Ratepayers their estimates of the Municipal Income and Expenditure for the year 1883.

The Income is estimated at.....Tls. 318,016.62
which includes the sum of Tls. 11,320.62
being the surplus brought
over from last year, and „ 12,800.00
which they recommend should be with-
drawn from the Sinking fund and applied
to paying off part of the loan of 1875.

The Expenditure recommended is ..... „ 315,480.00

leaving an unappropriated balance of .....Tls. 2,536.62

The estimated Expenditure is comparatively large, but it will not be necessary to make any change in the present scale of Rates and Taxes, as owing to the great increase in the value of land, and the extension of native buildings in the settlement, the receipts from the Tax on Land and Native Houses will be largely in excess of any previous year.

The Council therefore recommend that the same Rates and Taxes be maintained as were levied during last year.

On Land 4/10th of one per cent. per annum on the assessed value.

On Houses occupied by Foreigners 8 per cent. per annum on the actual, or assessed rental.

On Houses occupied by Natives 10 per cent. on the actual rental.

License Fees.—That the present scale be maintained except for Carriages, Jinrikshas, and Water Carts, which they recommend should be raised.

2 Wheeled Carriages at Livery Stables which now pay $1.50	to pay	$2.50	per month.				
2 „ „ plying for hire in streets	„	3	„	5	„		
4 „ „ „ „	„	4	„	6	„		
4 „ „ at Livery stables - -	„	2	„	3	„		
Jinrikshas - - - - - - - -	„	1	„	1.50	„		
Native Water Carts - - - - -	„	1	„	2	„		

and that a fee of $2 per annum be charged for each Telephone Pole erected in the settlement.

They suggest that the Ratepayers authorize the incoming Council to collect as under.

Land Tax.—Half-yearly in advance, on and after the 1st days of January and July respectively.

General Municipal Rate.—Foreign.—Quarterly in advance, on and after the 1st days of January, April, July and October respectively.

General Municipal Rate.—Native.—Monthly or quarterly, as may appear advisable, in advance, on and after the first January.

All such rates, and dues being payable at the time specified, and to be paid within fourteen days of demand for payment.

License Fees.—From every house of Public Entertainment, Billiard, or Bowling Saloon, or Shop, or Store for the sale of Wines, Beer, Spirits, Intoxicating Drugs, Butcher's Meat, Poultry or Game, Slaughter House or Livery Stable, Opium-Shop, Pawn-Shop, Native Water Cart, Boat or Public Vehicle, plying, let or used for hire within the limits of the Settlement, monthly or quarterly as may appear advisable—always in advance.

From every Music Hall, Theatre, Circus, or Dancing Saloon.—Nightly in advance.

Telegraph Fees.—At the rate of Tls.100 per line per annum, in advance.

Telephone Fees.—At the rate of $2 per annum for each pole, payable in advance.

Cemetery Fees and subscriptions to *Local Post Office*, in advance.

Fees for Permits, to use sunshades over public thoroughfares,—At time of making application for permit.

Fees for Permits to open roads for the purpose of constructing or repairing connections with Municipal Drains,—At the time of making application for permit.

The Sale of Night-Soil to the best advantage.

MUNICIPAL

Estimate for the year 1st January

Income.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
LAND TAX.		
FOREIGN—At 4/10ths of 1 per cent on Tls. 13,424,016 being Tls. 13,891,310 total assessed value of land		
Less „ 467,294 „ „ „ property occupied by Churches, Cemeteries, and Municipal Properties		
Tls. 13,424,016	.....	53,696.00
GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE.		
FOREIGN—At 8 per cent on actual or assessed rentals of rateable houses. Tls. 530,511.00 =	42,440.00	
Allow for houses unoccupied during the year	3,940.00	
Estimated to be received.....	.....	38,500.00
NATIVE.—At 10 per cent on $ 1,373,820 (total actual or assessed rentals at 31st December, 1882, of Chinese houses)=$ 137,382 at exchange 72=Tls.....	98,915.00	
Allow for houses unoccupied during the year	8,915.00	
Estimated to be received.....	.....	90,000.00
CONTRIBUTION—From H. E. the Taotai $14,000	.....	10,200.00
LICENSE FEES		
FOREIGN AND NATIVE.		
Foreign—		
From every wine and spirit shop or store, and from every beer store, and from every house of entertainment, from $160 to $260 annually	1,500.00	
Billiard and bowling saloon, for every night open computed at the rate of $3 per quarter each billiard table or bowling alley	400.00	
Carried forward.....	1,900.00	192,396.00

BUDGET.

to 31st December, 1883.

Expenditure.

POLICE FORCE.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Pay—Foreigners.		
1 Superintendent 3,600		
3 Inspectors 6,200		
2 Patrol Sergeants 2,200		
11 Sergeants 7,440		
16 Constables 8,160		
33 Foreigners.	27,600.00	
Natives.		
19 Sergeants 2,300		
9 Detectives 1,800		
194 Constables 17,400		
222 Natives.	21,500.00	
255	49,100.00	
Gratuity Fund, provision for	2,000.00	
	51,100.00	
Deduct for men employed on special service	3,000.00	48,100.00
Medical Aid—		
Medicines	300.00	
Hospital charges	200.00	500.00
Rent—		
Louza Station	.....	336.00
Insuranee—		
On Central Station	127.50	
„ Hongkew Station	99.00	
„ District „	17.50	244.00
Passages—		
For 3 men entitled to passages home at Tls. 150 each	.....	450.00
Clothing—		
For the whole force	.....	3,500.00
Carried forward	.....	53,130.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	1,900.00	192,396.00
LICENSE FEES—*Continued.*		
Native—		
From every shop or store selling foreign wine, spirits or beer at $40 each per quarter	2,000.00	
Water carts.....	700.00	
Opium houses.....	27,000.00	
Pawn shops.....	3,500.00	
Wine shops.....	1,800.00	
Sampans.....	800.00	
Jin-rik-shas	25,000.00	
Wheelbarrows	4,200.00	
Foreign and Native—		
Cargo boats.....	6,500.00	
Livery stables.....	8,500.00	
Theatres	600.00	
		82,500.00
TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE FEES	.....	400.00
SANITARY BRANCH.		
Night-soil, sale of.....	3,600.00	
Lock Hospital fees.....	500.00	
		4,100.00
Carried forward.....	.....	279,396.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	53,130.00
POLICE FORCE.—*Continued.*		
Funeral Expenses—		
Provision for.....	.....	100.00
Pay Native—		
Coolies and messengers for all Stations	600.00	
Punkah coolies.....	100.00	
		700.00
Prisoners' food	1,200.00	
Fuel and Gas	2,500.00	
Coolie hire for carrying sick & drunken men, sampan, hire, &c.	100.00	
Printing, Stationery and Newspapers	200.00	
Miscellaneous Charges.....	200.00	
		4,200.00
		58,130.00
Relief of Poor—		
For foreign and native poor	.....	300.00
SANITARY.		
FOREIGN AND NATIVE HOSPITALS.		
General Hospital	2,000.00	
Hospitals for Chinese	1,000.00	
Lock Hospital.....	750.00	
		3,750.00
MEDICAL.		
Pay of Officer of Health.....	500.00	
„ Municipal Surgeon	750.00	
„ Constables collecting returns of Native death rate.....	300.00	
„ Medical attendance for casualties in Hongkew.	50.00	
		1,600.00
NUISANCE.		
Pay—Foreign.		
Inspector of Nuisances, Markets & Livery Stables.	2,100.00	
Assistants	2,000.00	
Native Overseer.....	100.00	
Carried forward.....	4,200.00	63,780.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	279,396.00
Carried forward.....	.....	279,396.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward		4,200.00	63,780.00
NUISANCE.—*Continued.*			
Labour—			
For removing night-soil and garbage and for sweeping-roads		7,500.00	
Watchmen to prevent nuisances		300.00	
Weeding roads		200.00	
Cleaning sinks		1,500.00	
Watering the roads of the Settlement, and the Bubbling Well road		5,300.00	
		19,000.00	
Disinfectants		200.00	
			19,200.00
LIGHTING.			
The Settlement and Bubbling Well road		.....	18,000.00
TELEGRAPH LINES.			
Maintenance of all lines by contract		.....	600.00
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.			
Pay—Foreign Staff.			
Surveyor	3,600		
Assistant Surveyor	2,400		
Clerk	960		
3 Overseers	2,400		
		9,360,00	
Native Staff.			
Writer and linguist	360		
Tracer	330		
Office messenger	96	786.00	
Carried forward		10,146.00	101,580.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	279,396.00
PERMIT FEES.		
Fees for permits to open roads for repairing or connecting with public drains, and for erecting sunshades	.....	600.00
Carried forward.....	.....	279,996.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward		10,146.00	101,580.00
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE.—*Continued.*			
Rent of land for storing road materials		620.00	
Coals and Gas		84.00	
Stationery printing and and office necessaries		300.00	
Hongkew Survey, Labour, &c		250.00	
			11,400.00
PUBLIC WORKS.			
Bridges—			
North Szechuen, wooden bridge		11,000.00	
North Honan, repairs		3,000.00	
General repairs		2,000.00	
		16,000.00	
Land for depositing Garbage		1,000.00	
Buildings—			
General repairs	1,000		
Lock Hospital, repairs	500		
Fittings for water supply to Police Stations and Municipal buildings	2,000		
Hongkew Station, powder magazine	200		
District Police Station for Hongkew including cost of land	10,000		
		13,700.00	
Bundings—			
North Soochow Road, from North Szechuen road bridge East	2,000		
Public Garden foreshore	4,300		
General repairs	2,000	8,300.00	
Carried forward		39,000.00	112,980.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	279,996.00
Carried forward.....	.....	279,996.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....		39,000.00	112,980.00
PUBLIC WORKS.—*Continued.*			
Drainage—			
New road west of Woosung road.....	750		
Pekin road from the Bund to Yuen-Ming-Yuen	1,200		
Foochow road Shantung to Shanse road ...	500		
Miller road from Hanbury to Boone road...	750		
Subsidiary drains, laying drain pipes, repairs and alterations	2,000		
		5,200.00	
Landing Stages—			
New iron pontoon.....	3,000		
General repairs	2,000		
		5,000.00	
Roads—			
Road materials	20,000		
Curbs and side channels	7,000		
Chip-pavement for native streets	4,000		
Labour	7,000		
Widening and improving roads	7,000		
		45,000.00	
			94,200.00
Outside Roads—			
Maintenance of.....		4,500.00	
Metalling half of back road to Bubbling Well ...		5,500.00	
			10,000.00
Public Garden—			
Maintenance of.....		1,200.00	
New Fernery		1,500.00	2,700.00
Carried forward.....		.....	219,880.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	279,996.00
CEMETERIES.		
For vaults and grave spaces	.....	400.00
LOCAL POST OFFICE.		
Subscribers.....	3,000.00	
Expresses	500.00	
Stamps and unpaid letters	1,000.00	4.500.00
Carried forward.....	.....	284,896.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward		.....	219,880.00
CEMETERIES.			
Sexton for all Cemeteries, and allowance for labour and coolies		240.00	
Gardener, for care of all Cemeteries and Cathedral compound		790.00	
Chinese Government ground tax		70.00	
General repairs to all Cemeteries		1,000.00	
			2,100.00
LOCAL POST OFFICE.			
Postmaster		1,400.00	
Assistant		180.00	
Delivery coolies, sampan and jin-rick-sha		1,855.00	
Printing, stationery, newspapers, advertising and mail bags		300.00	
Coals and gas		75.00	
Agencies at ports		290.00	
Incidental charges		100.00	
			4,200.00
SECRETARIAT.			
Pay—Foreign.			
Secretary	4,240		
Accountant	3,000		
Assistants	4,500		
		11,740.00	
Tax Office—			
Collector of rates	1,800		
3 Foreign collectors of Chinese house tax Sampan and boat taxes	2,040		
		3,840.00	
Native Staff—			
Linguist and assistant	840		
Compradore and staff	2,230		
2 Chinese tax writers	460		
Sampan man employed in the collection of sampan tax	96		
Godown man	102		
Watchman at Council house	96		
		3,824.00	
Carried forward		19,404.00	226,180.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	284,896.00
STOCK AND STORES.		
Drain pipes and stores	.....	7,000.00
Carried forward.....	.....	291,896.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	19,404.00	226,180.00
Native Servants—		
For Municipal offices 360		
Coolie for numbering Chinese houses 36		
	396.00	
		19,800.00
GENERAL CHARGES.		
Coals and gas for all offices, stables and godowns	250.00	
Insurance on Municipal buildings	200.00	
Legal expenses	1,500.00	
Audit fees	250.00	
Stationery, printing, advertising, newspapers and postage	2,300.00	
House and license numbers.....	800.00	
Incidental charges.....	200.00	
		5,500.00
STUD.		
For animals for public works and removing garbage...	9,120.00	
„ Superintendent and Inspector of police	348.00	
„ Surveyor	176.00	
„ Collector and overseer of rates.....	180.00	
„ Inspector of nuisances, markets and livery stables.	176.00	
		10,000.00
STOCK AND STORES.		
Public Works, repairs to rolling stock	2,000.00	
Sanitary Nuisance „ „	1,200.00	
Public lamps.....	500.00	
Volunteer Stock	800.00	
Purchase of harness, leather hose, wheels springs and sweeping machines	2,500.00	7,000.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT.		
Contribution	.....	3,500.00
Carried forward.....	.....	271,980.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward	.....	291,896.00
SINKING FUND.		
Interest on balance	500.00	
To be withdrawn for payment of portion of 1875 Loan	12,800.00	
		13,300.00
INTEREST.		
On Tls. 15,000 Municipal Debentures forming "Special Deposit"	1,200.00	
On daily balance at Bank.....	300.00	
		1,500.00
Carried forward.....	.....	306,696.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	271,980.00
VOLUNTEERS.		
Maintenance	.....	£ 4,000.00
TOWN BAND.		
Maintenance	.....	6,000.00
SHANGHAI MUSEUM.		
Contribution	.....	500.00
SHANGHAI LIBRARY.		
Contribution	.....	100.00
EDUCATION GRANT.		
For the Eurasian School	2,500.00	
„ „ Orphanage, French Concession.....	1,000.00	3,500.00
SINKING FUND	.....	6,100.00
INTEREST.		
On Debentures	9,540.00	
„ Police gratuity fund	900.00	
„ „ savings bank	60.00	
		10,500.00
Carried forward.....	.....	302,680.00

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

INCOME.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	306,696.00
Surplus, 31st December, 1882	.....	11,320.62
		318,016.62
Depreciation on stock and stores to be written off General Balance	.....	10,000.00
TAELS.....	.....	328,016.62

MUNICIPAL BUDGET.—*Continued.*

EXPENDITURE.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward.....	.....	302,680.00
MUNICIPAL LOAN 1875.		
For payment of 128 Debentures.....	.....	12,800.00
		315,480.00
UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE	.....	2,536.62
		318,016.62
Municipal Stock and Stores Account— Amount to be written off for depreciation	.....	10,000.00
TAELS.....	.....	328,016.62

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE.

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Pay,—		
Police	48,800.00	
Nuisance	4,200.00	
Surveyor's Office	10,146.00	
Secretariat	19,800.00	
Legal Adviser	1,500.00	
Auditor	250.00	
Medical	1,600.00	
Local Post Office	3,435.00	
Cemeteries	1,030.00	
		90,761.00
Foreign and Native Hospitals	.....	3,750.00
Telegraph Lines	.....	600.00
Rent,—		
Louza Police Station	336.00	
Land for storing Road Materials	620.00	
		956.00
Insurance,—		
Police Stations	244.00	
Municipal Buildings, including Surveyor's Office, Local Post Office, and Plant and Stores	200.00	
		444.00
Passages,—		
For 3 Constables	.....	450.00
Clothing,—		
For Police Force	.....	3,500.00
Relief of Poor	.....	300.00
Lighting	.....	18,000.00
Labour,—		
Animal Labour	9,120.00	
Making and Repairing Roads	7,000.00	
Scavengering and Watering Roads	14,800.00	
		30,920.00
Fuel and Light,—		
Police	2,500.00	
Surveyor's Office	84.00	
Secretariat	250.00	
Local Post Office	75.00	
		2,909.00
Town Band	.....	6,000.00
Public Works	.....	98,520.00
Carried forward	.....	257,110.00

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE.—*Continued.*

	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
Brought forward	.....	257,110.00
Public Garden	.....	2,700.00
Stationery, Printing, Advertising, &c.,—		
Police	200.00	
Surveyor's Office	300.00	
Secretariat	3,100.00	
Local Post Office	300.00	
		3,900.00
Volunteers	.....	4,000.00
Fire Department	.....	3,500.00
Forage and Farriery,—		
Police	348.00	
Secretariat	180.00	
Surveyor's Office	176.00	
Nuisance	176.00	
		880.00
Interest	.....	10,500.00
Sinking Fund	.....	6,100.00
Stock and Stores	.....	7,000.00
Shanghai Museum	.....	500.00
Shanghai Library	.....	100.00
Miscellaneous Charges,—		
Police	2,100.00	
Nuisance	200.00	
General Charges	200.00	
Local Post Office	390.00	
		2,890.00
Education Grant	.....	3,500.00
Municipal Loan 1875, *payment of Debentures*	.....	12,800.00
Unappropriated Balance	.....	2,536.62
Taels	.....	318,016.62

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.	1882.		ESTIMATE 1883.	
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
LAND TAX	..	31,238.60	..	53,696.00
GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE—*Foreign*	..	37,589.72	..	38,500.00
" " " —*Native*	..	84,845.33	..	90,000.00
CONTRIBUTION FROM H. E. THE TAOTAI	..	10,244.50	..	10,200.00
LICENSES—FOREIGN—				
LIQUOR SELLERS	1,577.44	..	1,500.00	
BILLIARD AND BOWLING SALOONS	302.05	..	400.00	
FOREIGN AND NATIVE—				
THEATRES	610.61	..	600.00	
LIVERY STABLES	6,354.50	..	8,500.00	
CARGO BOATS	6,458.27	..	6,500.00	
NATIVE—				
WATER CARTS	695.74	..	700.00	
LIQUOR SELLERS	2,033.24	..	2,000.00	
SAMPANS	861.79	..	800.00	
PAWN SHOPS	4,733.69	..	3,500.00	
OPIUM SHOPS	25,118.50	..	27,000.00	
WHEELBARROWS	4,417.79	..	4,200.00	
WINE SHOPS	1,819.10	..	1,800.00	
JIN-RIK-SHAS	17,131.73	..	25,000.00	
		72,114.45		82,500.00
TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE FEES	..	504.35	..	400.00
NIGHT SOIL	..	3,125.75	..	3,600 00
POUNDAGE	..	31.15	..	..
LOCK HOSPITAL FEES	..	493.15	..	500.00
FEES FOR PERMITS FOR CONNECTING WITH PUBLIC DRAINS, & ERECTING SUNSHADES,	..	688.71	..	600.00
CEMETERY FEES	..	425.00	..	400.00
LOCAL POST OFFICE	..	4,635.69	..	4,500.00
MUNICIPAL STOCK AND STORES	..	9,800.14	..	7,000.00
LAND AND BUILDINGS	..	148.83	..	..
INTEREST	..	3,926.30	..	1,500.00
SINKING FUND	..	294.47	..	13,300.00
MUNICIPAL LOANS	..	60,000.00	..	..
OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS, 1881	..	9.60	..	..
SURPLUS 1882	..	..	..	11,320.62
		320,115.74		318,016.62
DEPRECIATION ON MUNICIPAL STOCK, STORES AND PROPERTY	..	10,000.00	..	10,000.00
Tls...	..	330,115.74	..	328,016.62

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

EXPENDITURE.	1882.		ESTIMATE 1883.	
	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.	Tls, cts.
POLICE—				
Pay	37,895.36		46,100.00	
Gratuity Fund	2,000.00		2,000.00	
Medical Aid, Rent and Incidental Charges	9,157.03		10,030.00	
		49,052.39		58,130.00
RELIEF OF POOR	..	257.84	..	300.00
SANITARY—				
Foreign and Native Hospitals	3,000.00		3,000.00	
Lock Hospital	724.60		750.00	
Medical	1,376.00		1,600.00	
Nuisance and Market	17,746.03		19,200.00	
		22,846.63		24,550.00
LIGHTING	..	15.693.07	..	18,000.00
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE—				
Pay	9,428.39		10,146.00	
Hongkew Survey labour &c.	264.22		250.00	
Rent of ground for storing road materials	557.50		620.00	
Insurance, Coal, Gas and Office Necessaries	513.49		384.00	
		10,763.60		11,400.00
TELEGRAPH LINES	..	581.00	..	600.00
CEMETERIES AND CATHEDRAL COMPOUND	..	3,050.74	..	2,100.00
PUBLIC WORKS—				
Bridges	4,925.48		16,000.00	
Buildings	1,599.88		13,700.00	
Drainage	18,843.26		5,200.00	
Fire Wells	14 18		..	
Landing Stages	2,975.67		5,000.00	
Roads	44,776.24		45,000.00	
Bundings	67.46		8,300.00	
Urinals	48.66		..	
Land for depositing garbage			1,000.00	
		73,250.83		94,200.00
OUTSIDE ROADS	..	5,491.35	..	10,000.00
PUBLIC GARDEN	..	1,364.25	..	2,700.00
SHANGHAI MUSEUM	..	500.00	..	500.00
SHANGHAI LIBRARY	..	100.00	..	100.00
TOWN BAND	..	5,073.82	..	6,000.00
EDUCATION GRANT	..	..	..	..
Orphanage, French Concession	..	1,000.00	..	1,000.00
For the Eurasian School	..	..	..	2,500.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT	..	4,409.16	..	3,500.00
STUD—*Animal Labour*	..	9,696.28	..	10,000.00
SINKING FUND	..	3,294.47	..	6,100.00
LOCAL POST OFFICE	..	4,157.06	..	4,200.00
SECRETARIAT—				
Pay including collection of taxes	..	19,499.31	..	19,800.00
GENERAL CHARGES—				
Legal Expenses	1,285.82		1,500.00	
Audit Fee	250.00		250.00	
Coals and Gas	226.76		250.00	
Insurance	175.00		200.00	
House and Public Vehicle License Numbers	673.17		800.00	
Stationery, Printing, Advertising, Postage	1,705.70		2,300.00	
Incidental Charges	301.23		200.00	
		4,617.68		5,500.00
INTEREST	..	7,464.51	..	10,500.00
VOLUNTEERS	..	5,302.69	..	4,000.00
MUNICIPAL STOCK AND STORES	..	16,733.86	..	7,000.00
LAND AND BUILDINGS	..	28,039.45	..	..
PUBLIC MARKET BUILDING	..	5,000.00	..	..
DEFICIT 1881	..	11,555.13	..	..
MUNICIPAL LOAN 1875	..	..	..	12,800.00
UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE	..	..	..	2,536.62
		308,795.12		318,016.62
MUNICIPAL STOCK, STORES AND PROPERTY ACCOUNT, DEPRECIATION ON	..	10,000.00	..	10,000.00
Tls...	..	318,795.12	..	328,016.62